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TO : MR. L. V. BOARDMAN *LB*

DATE: March 5, 1958

FROM : MR. A. H. BELMONT *AB*

SUBJECT: ~~COMMUNIST PARTY, USA~~
~~INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS~~
~~INTERNAL SECURITY - C~~

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During the course of our Internal Security - Espionage Conference held at Seat of Government on October 22 and 23, 1956, discussion was had concerning information received by Bureau sources that both Soviet officials in Russia and Party officials in this country were dissatisfied with the system of communications between Soviet Union and Communist Party (CP), USA. It was agreed that we should attempt to fully capitalize upon this situation and that the most productive and valuable achievement from our point of view would be to guide one of our informants into the position of being selected by the CPUSA as a courier between the Party in this country and the Soviet Union.

Our efforts in this regard have progressed to the situation today whereby CG 5824-S has been designated by Eugene Dennis to operate as this courier. The Soviets have relayed word back through Canadian communist officials that CG 5824-S is perfectly acceptable to them as the CPUSA courier. CG 5824-S is scheduled to be in New York today (March 5, 1958) to discuss the various aspects of this trip with Dennis. Following this discussion, this matter should come to a head inasmuch as the Soviets have let it be known that they are extremely anxious to see CG 5824-S at the earliest possible moment.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. In order to facilitate the supervision and administrative handling of this operation, it is recommended that a new file be opened.

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RE: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
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2. For reasons of security and economy, this case will henceforth bear the caption "Solo, Internal Security - C" which code name has been cleared with the Records Section.

3. In view of the highly sensitive nature of this operation, it is further recommended that this file be maintained in the confidential room of the Records Section.

4. There is attached for your approval an appropriate communication to the Chicago and New York Offices setting forth instructions regarding the utilization of this code name. This communication also bears the new file number of this case, 100-428091, which has been obtained from the Records Section.

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FROM SAC, NEW YORK 162100 Solo

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CPUSA INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, IS-C. RE NY TEL FEBRUARY 15, LAST, CONCERNING A VISIT OF ELIZABETH MASCOLO TO NYC. NY 694-S* ORALLY FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING INFO TO SA JOHN E. KEATING ON FEBRUARY 15 LAST. IT IS SUGGESTED THAT UTMOST CAUTION BE USED IN HANDLING THIS INFO TO PROTECT THE SECURITY AND FUTURE OPERATIONS OF TWO HIGHLY PLACED INFORMANTS. THE NY INFORMANT ACCOMPANIED ELIZABETH MASCOLO TO THE RESIDENCE OF WILLIAM Z. FOSTER ON FEBRUARY 15, LAST. SINCE MASCOLO HAD STATED THAT SHE HAD TO DELIVER A MESSAGE FROM TIM BUCK TO FOSTER IN PERSON, AND THIS WAS HER FIRST VISIT TO THE FOSTER RESIDENCE, THE INFORMANT PURPOSELY REMAINED OUT OF THE BEDROOM WHILE SHE TALKED WITH FOSTER. THEIR DISCUSSION WAS INTERRUPTED WHEN THE ATTENDANT ARRIVED FOR ONE HOUR OF THERAPEUTIC TREATMENT. IN ALL, MASCOLO TALKED WITH FOSTER FOR ABOUT THIRTY-FIVE MINUTES. INFORMANT WAS ABLE TO GLANCE AT THE NOTES MASCOLO HAD PREPARED FOR THIS DISCUSSION. SHE SUBSEQUENTLY DISPOSED OF THESE NOTES IN A TOILET. THE NOTES INDICATED: 1. THAT THE RP WAS VERY ANXIOUS FOR BILL AND HIS FAMILY TO GO TO M. WHATEVER RESOURCES AND TECHNIQUES THEY HAVE AT THEIR DISPOSAL WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO HIM. INFORMANT INTERPRETED RP TO MEAN THE RUSSIAN PARTY OR THE CPSU. 2. AUTHORIZATION. 3. URGENT THAT ALL OF HIS ARTICLES AND WRITING BE SENT

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TO THEM. 4. CHINESE PARTY URGENTLY REQUESTS FROM HIM TWO COPIES OF BITTELMAN'S LATEST ARTICLE AND FOSTER'S ANSWERS TO BITTELMAN. ALSO TWO COPIES OF CONTROVERSIAL ARTICLES BY THE RIGHT WING AND ANY ANSWERS BY FOSTER TO THESE ARTICLES. IN REGARD TO ITEM TWO CONCERNING AN AUTHORIZATION, THE INFORMANT ADVISED THAT BECAUSE FOSTER'S FAMILY WAS WORRIED THAT A LENGTHY DISCUSSION MIGHT AFFECT HIM, THE INFORMANT WENT INTO THE BEDROOM TO EXPEDITE THE DISCUSSION. AS MASCOLO LEFT FOSTER, HE TOLD HER THAT HE AGREED TO THE AUTHORIZATION AND HIS WIFE WOULD SIGN IT. MASCOLO THEN WENT INTO THE KITCHEN AND DICTATED THE FOLLOWING TO SYLVIA KOLKO, FOSTER'S DAUGHTER: ~~QUOTE~~ "FEBRUARY 15, 1958. ON BEHALF OF WILLIAM FOSTER, I AUTHORIZE THE INSTITUTE OF LITERATURE AND PUBLICATION TO MAKE WHATEVER EDITORIAL CHANGES ARE NECESSARY ~~HERE~~. ESTER FOSTER SIGNED THIS AUTHORIZATION. IT WAS GIVEN TO THE NEW YORK INFORMANT TO BE MAILED TO TIM BUCK BY SENDING IT TO [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MASCOLO TOLD THE INFORMANT THIS AUTHORIZATION PERTAINED TO FOSTER'S LATEST BOOK. INFORMANT IS OF THE OPINION THIS MAY BE ~~THE~~ "THE HISTORY OF THE THREE INTERNATIONALS" ~~UNQUOTE~~. THE RUSSIANS ARE TRANSLATING THIS BOOK INTO RUSSIAN AND WANTED AUTHORITY TO MODIFY OR DELETE CERTAIN CRITICISMS OF TITO BY FOSTER. MASCOLO ALSO TOLD THE INFORMANT THAT DURING THE LAST TEN MINUTES OF HER CONVERSATION WITH FOSTER, HE WAS GIVING HER A PICTURE OF THE SITUATION IN THE CPUSA FOR DELIVERY TO BUCK. WHILE IN THE KITCHEN, SYLVIA KOLKO SAID TO MASCOLO THAT IT WOULD BE WONDERFUL FOR FOSTER TO GO THERE, THAT IS TO RUSSIA. MASCOLO REPLIED ~~QUOTE~~ "THAT IS WHAT I SPOKE TO BILL ABOUT. IN FACT THEY WOULD WANT THE WHOLE FAMILY TO GO THERE" ~~UNQUOTE~~. MASCOLO SAID THAT THEY ARE VERY ANXIOUS FOR BILL TO GET THERE FOR THEY ARE SURE THAT THEY WOULD BE ABLE TO HELP HIM ALTHOUGH THEY CANNOT GUARANTEE A COMPLETE CURE. INFORMANT ADVISED THAT THEY, REFERS TO THE RUSSIANS.

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INFORMANT THEN ASKED IF BILL WANTS TO GO TO RUSSIA. MASCOLO SAID THAT FOSTER WANTS VERY MUCH TO GO TO RUSSIA BUT SAID THAT UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WOULD HE STATE IN A PASSPORT APPLICATION THAT HE WAS NOT AND IS NOT A COMMUNIST PARTY MEMBER. SYLVIA SAID THAT THERE ARE A LOT OF HEALTH AND TECHNICAL PROBLEMS INVOLVED IN SUCH A TRIP. SYLVIA FURTHER STATED THAT FOSTER'S PHYSICIANS ARE WORKING ON AND NEXT WEEK WILL SUBMIT TO THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT, A MEDICAL REPORT ON FOSTER. THE PURPOSE OF THIS IS TO PAVE THE WAY FOR A TRIP TO RUSSIA BY FOSTER. SHE SAID HIS PHYSICIANS ARE VERY MUCH IN FAVOR OF SUCH A TRIP. BEFORE MASCOLO LEFT FOSTER'S RESIDENCE, FOSTER TOLD HER TO BE SURE TO GET WORD TO EUGENE DENNIS THAT THE RUSSIANS WANT FOSTER IN RUSSIA. MASCOLO SAID THAT SOME OTHER PERSON WAS TAKING CARE OF THIS. INFORMANT COMMENTED THAT THE LAST TIME MASCOLO WAS IN NEW YORK CITY, SHE HAD A MESSAGE FROM BUCK WHILE HE WAS IN MOSCOW. THIS MESSAGE FROM BUCK WAS TO BE DELIVERED TO FOSTER AND IT WAS THAT THE ANSWER WAS ~~EMPHATICALLY YES~~ "EMPHATICALLY YES" ~~UNQUOTE~~. INFORMANT IS NOW OF THE OPINION THAT FOSTER HAD REQUESTED BUCK TO DETERMINE IF FOSTER COULD GO TO RUSSIA AND THIS WAS THE ANSWER FROM THE RUSSIANS. MASCOLO ALSO TOLD SYLVIA THAT BUCK HAD SAID THAT HE TRIED TO SEE [REDACTED] IN MOSCOW. DESPITE EFFORTS OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE CPSU, [REDACTED] COULD NOT BE PERSUADED TO SEE BUCK. SHE HAS A MENTAL QUIRK IN THIS REGARD BUT IN GENERAL IS ALL RIGHT. INFORMANT ADVISED THAT WHILE THE ATTENDANT WAS PRESENT, FOSTER, WITH THE HELP OF THE ATTENDANT AND A CANE, WALKED TO THE LIVING ROOM. HIS LEFT HAND IS BEGINNING TO RETURN TO NORMAL BUT IS STILL DEFORMED. HE HAS A SLIGHT DEFECT IN THE LEFT SIDE OF HIS FACE AND LOWER LIP BUT IT DOES NOT AFFECT HIS SPEECH. HE SEES DENNIS, DAVIS AND ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN FROM TIME TO TIME. JACK SHULMAN TAKES DICTATION FROM HIM. HE HAS COMPLETED AN ARTICLE WHICH WILL APPEAR IN ~~QUOTE~~ "POLITICAL AFFAIRS" ~~UNQUOTE~~. IN A MOMENT OF WEAKNESS,

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HE CONSENTED TO LET SHULMAN INDICATE THAT HE IS THE CO-AUTHOR OF THE ARTICLE ALTHOUGH HE ONLY TOOK DICTATION FROM FOSTER, WHO NOW REGRETS GIVING SHULMAN THIS PERMISSION. SYLVIA TOLD INFORMANT THAT SHE AND HER FAMILY, INCLUDING FOSTER TO SOME EXTENT, DO NOT LIKE AND DO NOT TRUST SHULMAN. SHE SAID HE IS A VERY TALKATIVE AND VERY AMBITIOUS PERSON. HE TAKES TOO MUCH INTEREST IN WHAT IS GOING ON IN THE FOSTER RESIDENCE. WITH CYNICISM, SYLVIA REFERRED TO SHULMAN AS ~~THE~~ "THE PROFESSOR" ~~AND SAID~~, AND SAID THAT BEING ASSOCIATED WITH FOSTER HAS GONE TO HIS HEAD. HE IS NOT POLITICALLY ASTUTE. SYLVIA SAID THAT THEY WOULD NOT TELL SHULMAN ABOUT THIS VISIT AND THAT SHULMAN DOES NOT KNOW THAT FOSTER AND HIS FAMILY WANT TO GO TO RUSSIA. WHILE THE ATTENDANT WAS PRESENT, INFORMANT ASKED MASCOLO IF BUCK HAD SAID ANYTHING ABOUT CHINA. SHE REPLIED THAT SHE HAD LITTLE TIME TO CONVERSE WITH HIM, HOWEVER, HE SAID THAT CHOU EN LAI HAD BEEN STABBED. THE WOUND WAS NOT SERIOUS AND HE IS WELL. THE WEAPON USED WAS A PENKNIFE. SINCE THIS INCIDENT, SECURITY PRECAUTIONS FOR LEADING PARTY MEMBERS HAVE BEEN TIGHTENED. FOR EXAMPLE, BUCK HAS A BODYGUARD AT ALL TIMES. ALTHOUGH HE PROTESTED, HE WAS TOLD THAT THE CITIES ARE VERY CROWDED AND THEY WOULD NOT TAKE THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANYTHING HAPPENING TO HIM WHILE HE WAS IN CHINA. HE WAS PARTICULARLY INSTRUCTED CONCERNING WALKING THE CITY STREETS AT NIGHT, IN OTHER WORDS, THIS WAS FORBIDDEN. SHE STATED BUCK SAID MAO TSE TUNG TOOK A PERSONAL INTEREST IN HIS COMFORTS AND SENT HIM A COMPLETE WARDROBE, BEFITTING HIS STATION IN LIFE AND THE CLIMATE, TO BE WORN WHILE HE WAS IN CHINA. THE POLITBURO OF THE CP OF CHINA HONORED HIM WITH A BIRTHDAY PARTY AT THE HOME OF CHU TEH. INFORMANT FURTHER ADVISED THAT HE ARRANGED WITH FOSTER TO HAVE ALL DOCUMENTS FOSTER WANTS TO SEND TO RUSSIA TRANSMITTED THROUGH THE INFORMANT FOR DELIVERY TO CANADA. INFO CONCERNING THE ABOVE WAS ALSO FURNISHED BY NY 1697-S* AND WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THE BUREAU BY SEPARATE

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COMMUNICATION. INFORMANT FURTHER ADVISED HE WAS PRESENT IN THE ROOM IN THE PRINCE GEORGE HOTEL IN NYC WHEN MASCOLO MET WITH ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG ON FEBRUARY 14, LAST. SINCE MASCOLO SAID SHE HAD TO PERSONALLY DELIVER THE MESSAGE FROM BUCK TO TRACHTENBERG, INFORMANT HAD TO FEIGN DISINTEREST IN THE CONVERSATION WHICH WAS CARRIED ON IN LOW TONES. SHE HAD A LIST OF NAMES AND TRACHTENBERG SAID THAT IF SHE GAVE HIM THE LIST, HE WOULD BE ABLE TO BETTER UNDERSTAND THE ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS OBTAINED FOR HIM BY BUCK. IN THE OPINION OF THE INFORMANT, TRACHTENBERG HAD ASKED THE RUSSIANS TO APPROVE ROYALTIES FOR CERTAIN WRITERS. AT ONE TIME DURING THE CONVERSATION, TRACHTENBERG SAID THAT HE HAD ALREADY RECEIVED MONEY FOR AN INDIVIDUAL SINCE HE LAST SAW MASCOLO. INFORMANT ONLY HEARD A NAME WHEN TRACHTENBERG WAS UNABLE TO READ MASCOLO'S NOTES. THE ONLY NAMES MENTIONED WERE HERBERT APTHEKER, BOB DUNNE, AND JIM ALLEN. NEW CENTURY PUBLISHERS WAS MENTIONED SEVERAL TIMES. OCCASIONALLY, TRACHTENBERG WOULD SAY THIS PERSON DOES NOT DESERVE ANY PAYMENT. MASCOLO WOULD REPLY THAT IT HAS ALREADY BEEN ARRANGED, AND IT IS TOO LATE TO CHANGE IT NOW. TRACHTENBERG SAID THAT HE WAS WELL PLEASED AND THAT SHE SHOULD TELL TIM BUCK THAT HE HAD DONE A GOOD JOB. MASCOLO TOLD TRACHTENBERG THE RUSSIANS WERE MOST ANXIOUS TO RECEIVE ~~SOME~~ "ECONOMIC NOTES" ~~WAS~~. HE REPLIED THAT HE HAD SENT THEM SOME ISSUES. SHE SAID THEY MUST HAVE GOTTEN LOST IN THE GENERAL SHUFFLE AND THAT IT WOULD BE BEST TO SEND THEM TO*. SHE THEN POINTED TO SOMETHING WRITTEN ON THE PIECE OF PAPER. AT THIS POINT CG 5824-S* JOINED THE OTHER THREE. TRACHTENBERG SAID THAT HE KNEW ABOUT THE PLAN TO HAVE FOSTER GO TO RUSSIA. HE SAID THAT A SERIES OF STEPS IS BEING PLANNED. FIRST THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT WOULD BE ASKED TO DISMISS OR SUSPEND THE SMITH ACT INDICTMENT AGAINST FOSTER BECAUSE OF HIS HEALTH. SUBSEQUENTLY, THE GOVERNMENT WOULD BE REQUESTED

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TO ALLOW FOSTER, FOR HUMANITARIAN REASONS, TO GO TO RUSSIA. HE STATED THAT BOTH PHYSICIANS AND ATTORNEYS ARE WORKING ON THIS. TRACHTENBERG ALSO STATED THAT JACK SHULMAN STARTED A CAMPAIGN TO RAISE FUNDS FOR FOSTER SINCE MONEY WAS NOT AVAILABLE TO PAY FOR THE NURSES. HOWEVER, SINCE THERE ARE NOT SUFFICIENT FUNDS FOR THE NATIONAL OFFICE AND FOR ~~THE~~ "THE WORKER" ~~UNION~~, TRACHTENBERG AND OTHERS IN THE NATIONAL OFFICE FELT THAT IT WOULD NOT BE ADVISABLE TO PRIVATELY COLLECT MONEY FOR FOSTER. THEREFORE, SHULMAN WAS INSTRUCTED TO STOP THIS CAMPAIGN.

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TO DIRECTOR AND SAC, CHICAGO

FROM SAC, NEW YORK

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CP, USA, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, IS - C. DUE TO THE NATURE OF THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION, THE FACT THAT THE SECURITY OF 2 HIGHLY PLACED INFORMANTS IS INVOLVED, AND THEIR FUTURE OPERATIONS MAY BE AFFECTED, IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THIS INFO NOT BE DISSEMINATED OUTSIDE OF THE BUREAU AT THIS TIME. THIS INFO WAS FURNISHED BY CG 5824-S*, AND ADDITIONAL INFO WILL BE RECEIVED FROM NEW YORK 694-S* ON FEBRUARY 15, INSTANT. ON FEBRUARY 14, LAST, ELIZABETH MASCOLO APPEARED AT THE NEW YORK OFFICE OF NEW YORK 694-S*. SHE STATED THAT TIM BUCK, HEAD OF LPP OF CANADA, HAD RETURNED TO CANADA FROM RUSSIA AND CHINA ON FEBRUARY 13, LAST. HE URGED HER TO GO TO NEW YORK CITY IMMEDIATELY AND DELIVER MESSAGES IN PERSON TO EUGENE DENNIS, WILLIAM Z. FOSTER, AND ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG. BUCK SAID THIS INFO MIGHT ASSIST DENNIS DURING THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEETING WHICH BUCK THOUGHT WAS BEING HELD THE WEEKEND OF FEBRUARY 22, 23, INSTANT. CG 5824-S* WAS CALLED TO THE OFFICE OF THE NEW YORK INFORMANT AND SUBSEQUENTLY CONTACTED DENNIS WHO WAS ATTENDING A MEETING OF THE NEG. DENNIS REFUSED TO LEAVE THE NEG MEETING TO MEET WITH MASCOLO AND URGED THE CHICAGO INFORMANT TO REPRESENT HIM. INFORMANT IS OF THE OPINION DENNIS WOULD NOT HAVE MET DIRECTLY WITH MASCOLO UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES. MASCOLO, AFTER SOME DELIBER-

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ATION, FINALLY AGREED TO GIVE THE INFO INTENDED FOR DENNIS TO THE CHICAGO INFORMANT FOR DELIVERY TO DENNIS. AS OF THE MORNING OF FEBRUARY 15, INSTANT, DENNIS WAS STILL NOT IN POSSESSION OF THIS INFO. MASCOLO SAID THAT BUCK'S MESSAGE TO DENNIS WAS THAT THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE CPUSA COME TO MOSCOW. MASCOLO SAID THAT THIS MEANS THAT MORRIS CHILDS AND ANYONE ELSE SELECTED BY DENNIS SHOULD COME TO MOSCOW. THE AMERICAN SECTION OF THE CCCPSU WAS HAPPY TO LEARN ABOUT THIS PROPOSAL AND URGED THAT IT BE CARRIED THROUGH AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. ARRANGEMENTS FOR TRAVEL SHOULD BE HANDLED IN THE USA WITH AMERICAN PAPERS, IF POSSIBLE. IF THIS IS NOT POSSIBLE, THE BRAZILIAN CP WILL GIVE SOME ASSISTANCE. BUCK SHOULD BE CONTACTED IF IT IS NECESSARY TO UTILIZE THE BRAZILIAN CP. FURTHER, MOSCOW WOULD LIKE TO HAVE 2 SETS OF ALL MATERIAL PERTAINING TO THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE CURRENT MEETING OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE CPUSA. EVEN IF THESE DOCUMENTS ARE INCOMPLETE, THEY SHOULD BE SENT VIA TIM BUCK AND LATER OTHER DOCUMENTS SHOULD FOLLOW. FURTHER, THE CP OF CHINA WANTS A QUOTE ACTIVE RELATIONSHIP UNQUOTE DIRECTLY WITH THE CPUSA THROUGH DENNIS. FURTHER, DENNIS SHOULD BE TOLD THAT THE FUTURE OF WILLIAM Z. FOSTER WAS DISCUSSED BY BUCK WITH THE HIGHEST AUTHORITIES IN MOSCOW. FOSTER WILL BE WELCOMED IF HE COMES TO RUSSIA FOR TREATMENT OR TO LIVE. HIS FAMILY WOULD ALSO BE WELCOME, AND IT IS FELT THAT IT WOULD BE GOOD FOR HIS GRANDDAUGHTER IN RUSSIA FOR FOSTER AND HIS FAMILY TO COME TO RUSSIA. MASCOLO ALSO TOLD THE INFORMANT TO TELL DENNIS THAT BUCK HAD SEEN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HAS WRITTEN [REDACTED] AND BUCK CARRIED [REDACTED] WITH HIM TO ENGLAND AND MAILED IT FROM THERE TO CANADA. [REDACTED] WANT AN ADDRESS TO WHICH THEY CAN SEND THE LETTERS TO EUGENE AND PEGGY DENNIS. DENNIS IS ALSO

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TO BE TOLD THAT LEADING COMRADES OF THE CPSU WOULD LIKE TO SEE MORE MATERIAL ON THE SOVIET UNION PRINTED IN THE CPUSA PRESS, PARTICULARLY QUOTE THE WORKER UNQUOTE. ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE MADE TO SUPPLY QUOTE THE WORKER UNQUOTE, WITH A DAILY PRESS SERVICE FROM MOSCOW. THIS OVERSEAS PRESS SERVICE WILL COME TO CANADA AND WILL BE REMAILED FROM THERE. BUCK WANTS TO KNOW IF THIS SERVICE SHOULD BE MAILED DIRECTLY TO THE OFFICE OF QUOTE THE WORKER UNQUOTE, OR TO SOME OTHER ADDRESS. THE RUSSIANS WOULD ALSO LIKE TO HAVE A CORRESPONDENT IF QUOTE POLITICALLY UNQUOTE QUALIFIED, HE CAN BE A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CPUSA IN MOSCOW. IF THIS IS NOT EXPEDIENT AT THIS TIME, THE CPUSA SHOULD NOT BE WORRIED ABOUT IT. MEANWHILE, THE QUOTE CANADIAN TRIBUNE UNQUOTE WILL SEND A CORRESPONDENT TO MOSCOW, AND HE WILL REPRESENT THE CPUSA PRESS FROM A NEWS POINT OF VIEW. HE WILL RECEIVE ASSISTANCE FROM THE AMERICAN SECTION OF THE FOREIGN DEPARTMENT OF THE CCCPSU. THE AMERICAN SECTION OF THE CCCPSU WOULD LIKE TO GET TWO COPIES OF ALL CPUSA MATERIAL AND WOULD ALSO LIKE THE CPUSA TO ESTABLISH RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE CP OF CANADA. THE AMERICAN SECTION OF THE CCCPSU ALSO WANTS LABOR AND ECONOMIC FACTS CONCERNING THE US. THE CP OF CHINA IS ALSO ANXIOUS TO OBTAIN SIMILAR MATERIAL. IF DENNIS WANTS TO PERSONALLY WRITE TO BUCK, HE SHOULD SEND A LETTER TO [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IF HE WANTS TO WRITE TO THE CP OF CHINA, THE ADDRESS IS GAYOU, POST OFFICE BOX 509, PEKING, CHINA. CG 5824-S * COMMENTED THAT THIS MESSAGE IS RECOGNITION OF THE CPSU THAT DENNIS IS THE LEADER OF THE CPUSA. MASCOLO ALSO MET WITH TRACHTENBERG ON FEBRUARY 14, LAST, IN THE PRESENCE OF NY INFORMANT, AND THE NY INFORMANT WAS TO ACCOMPANY HER TO THE RESIDENCE OF FOSTER ON THE MORNING OF FEBRUARY 15, INSTANT. ADDITIONAL DETAILS WILL BE OBTAINED FROM NY 694-S* ON FEBRUARY 16 INSTANT, AND THE BUREAU ADVISED. IT IS URGED THAT UTMOST CARE BE USED IN HANDLING THIS VERY DELICATE INFO.

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At noon on 2/15/58 ASAC Norman McCabe of the New York Office called and stated that NY 694-S and CG 5824-S had reported some most significant information concerning international relations between the Communist Party, USA (CPUSA) and the Communist Party, Soviet Union (CPSU). Mr. McCabe stated that Elizabeth Mascolo, common-law wife of Tim Buck, Canadian CP leader, had come to New York and relayed information to our two informants from her husband. The information furnished by our informants is set out as follows:

On 2/14/58 Elizabeth Mascolo arrived unannounced at the office of NY 694-S in New York. She told him that Buck had returned to Canada on Wednesday, 2/12/58, and told her that she should proceed immediately to New York City with messages which she should personally deliver to Eugene Dennis, Alexander Trachtenberg and William Z. Foster. It is noted that Buck had just returned from a trip of a two-months' duration in Russia and China. NY 694-S contacted CG 5824-S at the National Office of the CPUSA and had him come to the office of NY 694-S to talk with Mascolo. CG 5824-S returned to the National Office and was able to contact Dennis, but Dennis told him that he was involved in a meeting and told CG 5824-S to get the message for him. This is the message that Mascolo gave to the Chicago informant for delivery to Dennis:

The Central Committee of the CP of the Soviet Union welcomed proposals that were made by Buck that a representative or representatives of the CPUSA go to Moscow for conferences with the CPSU. Mascolo said that this meant CG 5824-S and any other representative that the CPUSA might select to go with him. The American Section of the Foreign Department of the Central Committee of the CPSU was pleased to hear about this proposal and urged that it be carried through as soon as is expedient. Arrangements for travel should be handled with American passports and other papers, if possible. If this is not possible, the CP of Brazil will give assistance in this regard. If the assistance of the CP of Brazil is needed, Buck should be contacted for details.

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Re: CPUSA
International Relations

Further, Moscow would like to have two copies of all material pertaining to the present proceedings of the National Committee of CPUSA. If this material is not completely available, what is available should be transmitted as soon as possible with the other material following later. This material to be sent to Russia via Canada and Tim Buck. Further, CP of China wants an "active relationship" directly with the CPUSA through Eugene Dennis.

Mascolo also had some information for Dennis with regard to what she would discuss with Foster. Dennis should be told that Foster and his future were discussed with the highest authorities in Moscow and that they welcomed him to Russia. He will be welcomed whether he wants to come for treatment or to visit permanently. The Russians also welcomed Foster's family and feel that it might be beneficial for Foster's granddaughter if Foster's family would accompany him to Russia.

Dennis should also be told that Buck lived with

[redacted] Buck brought a copy of [redacted] with him to England and mailed it from England to Canada. It has not arrived in Canada as yet, but will be made available to Dennis when received. Further [redacted] would appreciate a "good address" to which they might mail correspondence to Eugene and Peggy Dennis. Further, Dennis is to be told that the leading comrades of the CPUSA would like to see more material on the Soviet Union printed in the CPUSA press, particularly "The Worker." The Russians will make arrangements to supply "The Worker" with a daily press service which is called something like Overseas Press. This service will come to Canada and will be remailed from there. Tim Buck wants to know from Dennis if this service should be sent to the office of "The Worker" or to some other address. In addition, the Russians would like to have a correspondent of "The Worker" stationed in Moscow. If this correspondent is "politically qualified," he could be the representative between the CPUSA and the CPSU. Dennis should be instructed, however, that

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if this is not expedient at this time, the CPUSA should not worry much about it. In the meantime, "The Canadian Tribune" will send a correspondent who will also represent the CPUSA press from a news point of view. Mascolo stated that this correspondent for "The Canadian Tribune" had not been selected as yet. When this correspondent arrives in Moscow, he will receive assistance from the American Section of the Foreign Department of the Central Committee of the CPSU.

This American Section would also like to obtain copies of all material presently being disseminated by the CPUSA. This American Section would also like to have the CPUSA establish a relationship with the CP of Canada. This American Section also wants material in regard to labor and economic conditions in the U.S. Arrangements for economic notes and labor notes to be sent to Russia via Canada will be made with Trachtenberg. The CP of China is also desirous of obtaining the same type of material. This will also be discussed by Mascolo with Trachtenberg. Dennis should be given the address [redacted]

[redacted] for purposes of sending any correspondence to Tim Buck. If the CPUSA wants to correspond directly with the CP of China, material should be sent to G. You, Post Office Box 509, Peking, China.

CG 5824-S commented that this message for Dennis from the leadership of CPSU means a recognition of Dennis as the leader of the CPUSA. NY 694-S was present on the afternoon of 2/14/58 when Mascolo talked with Trachtenberg. NY 694-S was also going to accompany Mascolo to the residence of Foster on the morning of 2/15/58. Details of the meet between Mascolo and Trachtenberg and Mascolo and Foster will be obtained from NY 694-S on the afternoon of 2/15/58.

OBSERVATIONS:

It would appear from the statement of the Soviets that they want CG 5824-S to come to Russia as soon as is feasible; that our intensive efforts over the past year to guide our informant into a position where he would be selected to act as liaison between the CPUSA and the CPSU is rapidly coming to a successful climax.

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ACTION:

This matter is being followed extremely closely at the Seat of Government to insure it will be successfully carried out.

This is the preliminary report of CG 5824-S, who had to return to the National Committee meeting at once. Necessarily it must be handled most carefully both from the standpoint of action to be taken by the Bureau to capitalize on this information and from the standpoint of possible dissemination. When full details are received from both CG 5824-S and NY 694-S, we will be in a better position to consider both of these lines of action.

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J. M. [unclear]

I think as soon as possible we should disseminate to Carter for the President & D.A.G. with highest security classification

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TO : Mr. L. V. Boardman *LB*

DATE: August 30, 1957

FROM : Mr. A. H. Belmont *AB*

cc Mr. Boardman
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SUBJECT: COURIER SYSTEM BETWEEN
COMMUNIST PARTY, USA, AND
COMMUNIST PARTY, SOVIET UNION

CONF. INFT. CG 5824-S

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BACKGROUND:

We have been trying for sometime to produce direct evidence of the fact that the Communist Party, USA (CPUSA), follows orders and takes direction from the Communist Party, Soviet Union (CP-SU). If we are able to develop such evidence it would not only strengthen our case against the CPUSA but would enhance tremendously the Bureau's prestige as an intelligence agency.

We know that current leaders of the CPUSA have been discussing the need to establish direct contact with the CP-SU in Moscow. In this regard, Eugene Dennis, secretary of National Affairs, CPUSA, told CG 5824-S on July 29, 1957, that the CPUSA should start rebuilding connections with the CP-SU and suggested it would be a very good idea if the informant would consider taking a trip to Russia. The informant told Dennis such a trip would have to have more authority than the suggestion of one individual. Dennis dropped the matter at that point.

MEETING BETWEEN TIM BUCK AND CG 5824-S:

CG 5824-S, representing the CPUSA on July 3, 1957, had a meeting with Tim Buck, General Secretary of the Labor Progressive Party of Canada at Toronto. Informant told Buck that he is now a member of a foreign relations committee of the CPUSA and is being proposed for the position of International Secretary to coordinate contacts between the CPUSA and other Communist Parties. Buck indicated that he was pleased that informant had been chosen for this position and said if informant needs any help in communicating with Moscow or to establish a more efficient method of communicating with Moscow, he would be glad to help. Informant told Buck that he had discussed with Eugene Dennis, Sid Stein, and Fred Fine the need to establish direct

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contact with the CP-SU, Moscow. Informant also told Buck that he had conveyed to the above party leaders the information Buck had given to informant after Buck's latest trip to Moscow to the effect that the CP-SU would like to speak to a representative of the American party in Russia. Informant indicated to Buck that a decision would be made on this matter soon by the CPUSA and the big problem is travel papers and even if a passport could be obtained, the American representative could not leave directly from the United States. Buck indicated he understood and suggested that everything possible should be done to get travel papers from the United States and he could more efficiently arrange for transportation from Canada to Europe so there would be no problem of being stopped. In addition, he would communicate with Russia to inform them that someone from the United States is traveling to Russia.

OBSERVATIONS:

This is a most significant development of which we should take full advantage. The type of intelligence and evidence our informant could produce by talking face to face with Russian CP leaders in Moscow would be invaluable.

Leaders of the CPUSA have indicated dissatisfaction with the system of communication between the Soviet Union and the CPUSA. Within the past year informants have reported that an attempt might be made to set up a courier system but until now nothing as definite as above-outlined has developed. In CG 5824-S we have the best possibility in the Bureau's history of establishing a pipeline through which we can obtain evidence of a tie-in between the CP-SU and the CPUSA. Informant has established himself through recent trips to Mexico and Canada as a logical choice in the minds of Party leaders for this courier position. Informant has indicated his availability to the Party on other assignments and there is no reason why he could not likewise on this occasion.

One of the most favorable factors from our standpoint, should the Party select our informant as a liaison agent, is the fact he would have the position of CP representative and we would not have to establish a cover for him. This has been an almost unsurmountable problem in the past when we have attempted to set up such an operation.

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The biggest problem which will have to be solved in this operation is that of securing travel papers. If the party is not able to handle this aspect, it is possible that Tim Buck might be of some assistance as there has been considerable travel by the Canadian party between Canada and Europe without any unusual incidents. If the party makes any concrete suggestions to CG 5824-S regarding such a trip, we will have to carefully weigh the possibilities of informant getting into trouble through passport complications and thereby jeopardizing his future value to the Bureau. When the party gives CG 5824-S more encouragement and specific instructions, we will be in a position to properly advise informant. Since this is a most important development, we should alert Chicago to keep the informant aware of its possibilities and follow closely with the informant.

ACTION:

On 8-29-57 ASAC Schmit, Chicago, advised informant was going to Canada to attend the national plenum of the Canadian party on the instructions of the CP, USA. Thereafter he will report to the National Executive Committee of the CP, USA, in New York. While in Canada informant will inquire if the opportunity presents itself of the Canadian leaders concerning the possibilities of traveling to Moscow by way of Canada as a representative of the CP, USA. Chicago is alert to this situation and its importance to the Bureau's operations and the necessity for the informant to be most discreet so as not to jeopardize his position. Both the Chicago Office and the Bureau will carefully follow all developments and you will be kept advised.

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SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
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CG 5824-S, one of our most highly placed informants, recently attended the national convention of the Labor Progressive Party (LPP), which is the Communist Party of Canada, as observer from Communist Party (CP), USA. While in Canada, informant had contact with various LPP functionaries as result of which following interesting possibilities developed: (1) during course of conversing with one Valdez, who represented CP of Mexico at LPP national convention, informant arranged for all communications between CPUSA and CP of Mexico to pass through him. Valdez also invited CPUSA to send a representative to attend a meeting of Central Committee of CP of Mexico on 5/11/57; (2) Tim Buck, general secretary, LPP, told informant that Communist Party of Soviet Union (CPSU) wants CPUSA to take greater interest in Latin American affairs. Buck further stated CPSU wants leading member of CPUSA to go to Russia to discuss activities of CPUSA. During conversation, Buck stated that if CPUSA representative could go to Mexico for one month he could be transported to Russia regardless of passport difficulties; (3) while in contact with John Weir, member of national committee, LPP, Weir told informant he could arrange for meeting in Canada between CPUSA representative and Russian diplomatic or trade personnel.

Upon return from Canada, informant advised Eugene Dennis, member of national committee, CPUSA, of his Canadian visit. While Dennis was noncommittal regarding possibility of meeting between CPUSA representative and Russian diplomatic or trade personnel in Canada, he evidenced great interest in CP of Mexico and stated CPUSA must strengthen its relationships not only in Latin America but in all international affairs. When informant mentioned invitation of CP of Mexico for a CPUSA representative to attend meeting in Mexico, Dennis urged informant to go as CPUSA representative. He also suggested that while there, informant should attempt to contact Frederick Vanderbilt Field, Albert Maltz and other former Americans interested in Mexico, who might be induced to contribute to CPUSA.

Dennis ruled out any possibility that he would meet with representatives of CPSU outside of United States. He did mention possibility that someone from CPUSA, while attending the World Festival of Youth to be held in Moscow, Russia, in July, 1957, might act as

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CPUSA representative to CPSU. No concrete decisions, however, were made regarding this matter.

By teletype 5/6/57, Chicago was authorized to have informant go to Mexico as CPUSA representative. He departed from Chicago on 5/9/57. Upon his return we will, of course, obtain detailed information concerning this matter.

OBSERVATIONS:

The situation as it is developing appears to offer one of the best possibilities we have had in recent years to develop legally admissible evidence to the effect that CPUSA is directed and controlled by Russia, as well as valuable intelligence data relative to activities between CPUSA and other communist parties in this hemisphere.

While he may take no positive steps in the immediate future, it appears that Eugene Dennis will ultimately designate a CPUSA representative to meet with the Russians either in Moscow or some other locality. The possibility of our informant being selected for such an assignment is certainly a factor which we must explore to the utmost. Upon his return from Mexico and subsequent report to Dennis regarding his trip there, the informant may be able to obtain additional information relative to the above developments.

ACTION:

We will continue to give this matter our closest attention.

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TO DIRECTOR AND SAC, NEW YORK

FROM SAC, CHICAGO 261712 Solo

SASH: ESPIONAGE-R. RE CG AIRTEL TO BUREAU AND NY APRIL 22, LAST, CAPTIONED, ~~CG 5824-S~~ "UNQUOTE, WHICH ADVISED INFORMANT WAS PROCEEDING TO CANADA WHERE THE 6TH NATIONAL CONVENTION OF THE LABOR PROGRESSIVE PARTY, THE CP OF CANADA, WAS IN SESSION. IN BRIEF INTERVIEW, INFORMANT FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ON APRIL 25 LAST. INFORMANT ARRIVED IN TORONTO TOO LATE TO ATTEND THE NATIONAL CONVENTION BUT OBTAINED COPIES OF ALL DOCUMENTS PREPARED THUS FAR IN CONNECTION WITH THE CONVENTION. THESE INCLUDE THE KEYNOTE SPEECH BY TIM BUCK, A DECLARATION ON THE PARTY ADOPTED AT THE CONVENTION, A DRAFT PROGRAMATIC STATEMENT, A DRAFT POLICY RESOLUTION AND THE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 1956. INFORMANT WAS BRIEFED ON THE RESULTS OF THE CONVENTION BY BUCK, WHO WAS ELECTED THE LEADER OF THE PARTY AT THE CONVENTION. INFORMANT MET FOR 2 DAYS WITH THE NEW NATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE LPP. THIS COMMITTEE CONSISTS OF 51 MEMBERS, NOT ALL OF WHOM ATTENDED THIS MEETING. INFORMANT ALSO MET WITH PERSONS WHO WILL CONSTITUTE THE NEW SECRETARIAT OF THE LPP. THESE PERSONS ARE TIM BUCK, GENERAL SECRETARY; LESLIE MORRIS, EDITOR OF THE ~~CP~~ "CANADIAN TRIBUNE" UNQUOTE AND THE PERSON GENERALLY IN CHARGE OF ALL LPP PUBLICATIONS, AND BILL KASHTON, ORGANIZATIONAL SECRETARY. INFORMANT ALSO MET WITH ONE VALDEZ (PH), FRATERNAL DELEGATE FROM CP OF MEXICO TO NATIONAL CONVENTION OF LPP. INFORMANT ARRANGED FOR COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN CP OF MEXICO AND CP, USA, TO PASS THROUGH INFORMANT. MEXICAN CP WILL HAVE A NATIONAL CONVENTION IN 1958 AND THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE IS SCHEDULED TO MEET ON MAY 11, NEXT. VALDEZ INVITED A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CP, USA, TO ATTEND THIS MEETING IN MAY. RE THE CANADTANS, THE INFORMANT LEARNED THAT THE NATIONAL CONVENTION WAS A

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Communist Party, Soviet Union

VICTORY FOR TIM BUCK. EVERY BASIC PROPOSITION ADVOCATED BY THE LEADERSHIP AROUND TIM BUCK WAS ADOPTED. THUS, THE CONVENTION SUPPORTED PROLETARIAN INTERNATIONALISM, WHICH MEANS SUPPORT OF THE CPSU. IT SUPPORTED MARXISM-LENINISM, THE IDEA OF A VANGUARD PARTY AND THE CONCEPT OF DEMOCRATIC CENTRALISM. INFORMANT STATED THAT THESE RESULTS SHOW THAT THE CANADIAN CP IS IN THE GRIP OF THE RUSSIANS. THE OPPOSITION, WHICH CONSISTED OF JOE SALSBERG, STEWART SMITH AND CHARLES SIMS, WAS COMPLETELY DEFEATED AND REMOVED FROM THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE. THIS GROUP IS THE EQUIVALENT OF THE GATES FACTION IN THE CP, USA. BUCK STATED THE LPP HAD A REGISTRATION IN FEBRUARY AND THAT MEMBERSHIP IS LESS THAN 5000. HE SAID THAT WHILE THERE HAVE BEEN LOSSES, RECRUITING HAS RECOUPED THE LOSSES. SAM CARR TOLD INFORMANT THAT BUCK IS A ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ "BLOODY LIAR" ~~UNRELIABLE~~ AND THAT THE MEMBERSHIP IS ABOUT 3000. BUCK TOLD INFORMANT THAT CP, USA, IS IN THE DOG HOUSE AS FAR AS THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNIST MOVEMENT IS CONCERNED. BUCK SAID THE CPSU WANTS CP, USA, TO TAKE A GREATER INTEREST IN LATIN AMERICAN AFFAIRS. BUCK ALSO STATED THAT NIKITA (LNU), DESCRIBED BY BUCK AS HEAD OF THE AMERICAN SECTION IN THE INTERNATIONAL DEPARTMENT OF THE CPSU, WANTS A LEADING PERSON FROM THE CP, USA, TO TALK WITH THE CPSU AND KEEP THE RUSSIANS INFORMED ON DEVELOPMENTS IN CP, USA. BUCK SAID THAT IF A LEADING MEMBER OF CP, USA, COULD GO TO MEXICO FOR 1 MONTH, HE COULD BE TRANSPORTED TO RUSSIA, REGARDLESS OF PASSPORT DIFFICULTIES. INFORMANT ALSO TALKED WITH JOHN WEIR, FORMER STUDENT AT LENIN SCHOOL AND CURRENT MEMBER OF NATIONAL COMMITTEE AND NATIONAL EXECUTIVE OF LPP IN CHARGE OF SLOVAK SECTION. WEIR WAS IN RUSSIA IN THE FALL OF 1956 AND IS PERSONAL FRIEND OF INFORMANT. WEIR STATED THAT HE MEETS WITH RUSSIANS IN CANADA AND COULD ARRANGE FOR A MEETING BETWEEN RUSSIANS AND A REPRESENTATIVE OF CP, USA, IN CANADA. INFORMANT OF OPINION RUSSIANS REFERRED TO BY WEIR WOULD BE DIPLOMATIC OR TRADE PERSONNEL. INFORMANT

** Last Name Unknown*

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CONFIDENT CANADIANS DO NOT SUSPECT HIM OR NY 694-S* AS A RESULT OF IRVING POTASH ARREST. INFORMANT BELIEVES OLD CONTACTS CEMENTED AND NEW ONES ESTABLISHED AS A RESULT OF THIS TRIP. DETAILS WILL BE SUBMITTED AS SOON AS THEY CAN BE OBTAINED FROM INFORMANT, WHO MAY HAVE TO PROCEED TO NYC TO REPORT RESULTS OF THIS TRIP TO FULL NATIONAL COMMITTEE OF CP, USA, IF SO INSTRUCTED ON APRIL 26, INSTANT. INFORMANT OF OPINION HE WAS UNDER PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCE IN TORONTO AND THUS PROMPT DISSEMINATION TO CANADIAN OFFICIALS MIGHT JEOPARDIZE THE SECURITY OF INFORMANT.

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COMMUNIST PARTY, USA -
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During the course of the recent Internal Security-Espionage Conference held at the Seat of Government on October 22 and 23, 1956, discussion was had concerning information recently received by Bureau sources that both the Soviet officials in Russia and Party officials in this country are dissatisfied with the system of communications between the Soviet Union and the CPUSA.

In this regard, it is noted that John Williamson, convicted Smith Act subject who accepted voluntary deportation to Scotland in 1955, is presently residing in London, England, and is serving as a medium for the transmission of information between the Soviet Union and the CPUSA. It is noted, however, that Gene Dennis, general secretary, CPUSA, has recently observed that Williamson is unsatisfactory in this capacity, primarily because he is out of touch with the American scene.

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Along these same lines, it is noted that a prominent Soviet official recently told Tim Buck, functionary in the Canadian Communist Party, that the Russians would like to see Gene Dennis or some other high-ranking Party official who could speak for the CPUSA, visit Moscow.

In view of the foregoing, it appears entirely possible that some attempt may be made by the Party to set up a courier system between the CPUSA and Russia. It is felt that the Bureau should definitely explore this matter, especially from the standpoint of the possibility of arranging to have one of our informants or some other cooperative individual selected as such a courier.

The afore-mentioned conference felt that we should explore this possibility in two ways: (1) by a careful review of our current informants particularly those on relatively high levels, and (2) by considering businessmen and other individuals who periodically go to Russia on legitimate business. In connection with this latter category, it would appear more desirable that such an individual has a background sympathetic to communism but who is not sufficiently identified with communism so that he would be suspect to American authorities. Such an individual should, of course, be of such sympathy at the present time that we can approach him for the purpose of putting him in touch with the CPUSA in this regard.

It is desired that each office give this matter immediate attention since if anything is to be accomplished, now appears to be the most propitious time. Analysis should be made of each informant operated by you to ascertain whether he has any potential regarding selection by the Party as a courier. You should also be alert to any legitimate businessman or other cooperative citizen with suitable background who may be in a position to engage in such an operation in behalf of the Bureau.

It should also be borne in mind by each office that even though you have no individuals in the above categories who represent any potential, it is possible that you may have cooperative individuals in your territory who may be utilized in connection with a cover operation which such a courier would undoubtedly need.

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During the course of your over-all analysis of this matter, you should remain particularly alert to any individuals, informants or otherwise, who have some form of connection with Russia such as having been born in Russia, having Russian parents, having visited Russia in the past, etc.

It is desired that each office immediately commence your analysis of this matter and forward your observations to the Bureau no later than November 17, 1956. Your replies should be concrete and specific in order that the potential of this situation can be properly evaluated.

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TO : Mr. L. V. Boardman

DATE: November 1, 1956

FROM : Mr. A.H. Belmont *AHB*

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At the recent Internal Security-Espionage Conference held on October 22 and 23, 1956, it was decided that the Bureau should explore the possibility of arranging to have a Bureau informant or some other cooperative citizen set up in a courier operation between the CPUSA and the Soviet Union.

ACTION:

There is attached for your approval an appropriate communication to all offices (original on plastiplate) containing instructions to analyze this situation and submit their observations.

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FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-33729)
SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY - USA
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Re New York teletype dated 2/15/58.

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CG 5824-S* orally furnished the following information to SA JOHN E. KEATING on 2/18/58:

CG 5824-S* met with EUGENE DENNIS on 2/18/58 in DENNIS' office in the headquarters of the Communist Party - USA in New York City. CG 5824-S* gave DENNIS a report on the information which was transmitted by ELIZABETH MASCOLO from TIM BUCK for EUGENE DENNIS. CG 5824-S* stated that most of the discussion was carried on by the use of notes. DENNIS burned his notes soon after they were made. DENNIS also made CG 5824-S* burn all of the notes he had made concerning the discussion with MASCOLO, except for the address

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in Toronto to which material for the Communist Party of the Soviet Union should be sent, and the address in Peking, China, to which material for the Communist Party of China should be sent.

DENNIS was disturbed that this discussion was carried on in the Party office and urged the Chicago informant to arrange to meet him in the country on his next trip to New York City. This trip to New York City would be subsequent to a trip to Canada and a personal discussion with TIM BUCK.

DENNIS was impressed and pleased that there is a good possibility that a representative of the Communist Party - USA can go to Russia. DENNIS urged CG 5824-S* to go to Canada as soon as possible to get details from TIM BUCK so that the informant can go to Russia immediately. DENNIS told the informant that now that the Left wing has gained control of the Communist Party - USA, he would take one or two other persons into his confidence so that CG 5824-S* would go to Russia officially as a representative of the Communist Party - USA. The informant commented that he wants to have some official title in the Communist Party - USA before making such a trip.

CG 5824-S* also told DENNIS that he did not want to rush into this trip, since there are many personal and technical problems involved. He asked DENNIS what he thought of the idea of applying to the United States State Department for a passport to Russia on humanitarian grounds -- that is, because of his or his wife's health. If such a passport could be obtained, then the informant could go to Russia legally. DENNIS indicated that he thought that this was a good idea. Beyond this there was no discussion about funds for the trip or any other technicalities. CG 5824-S* stated that DENNIS would expect the informant to work out these details with TIM BUCK.

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During this portion of the discussion, DENNIS told the informant to be sure and explain our situation to them when you get over there. Then DENNIS wrote a dollar sign on a piece of paper. CG 5824-S* said that he replied, "Of course, I will". CG 5824-S* commented that this is the first time DENNIS has ever indicated to him that the Communist Party - USA might be able to obtain funds from Russia.

CG 5824-S* advised that DENNIS told the informant that the informant should mail two copies of all material issued in connection with the recent meeting of the National Committee of the Communist Party - USA to the addresses in Toronto, Canada, and China. DENNIS did not retain these addresses and told the informant that the informant should maintain this correspondence between the Communist Party - USA and the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, and between the Communist Party - USA and the Communist Party of China. Thus, DENNIS is trying to avoid any direct connections between himself and the Communist Party of the Soviet Union and the Communist Party of China, and will try to have others take any risks involved.

In regard to the request of [redacted] for an address to which they might send letters to EUGENE and PEGGY DENNIS, DENNIS told the informant that he did not want to give him any address and that any material from EUGENE and PEGGY DENNIS for [redacted] would have to be carried personally by the informant on his trip to Russia.

DENNIS made no comment concerning the proposal of the Russians to have a correspondent of "The Worker" stationed in Moscow. In this regard, however, he did write down one word on a callendar in his office.

DENNIS made no comment concerning the possibility of using a correspondent of the "Canadian Tribune" to represent the Communist Party - USA in Moscow from a standpoint of news.

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DENNIS made no comment concerning an address for material from Russia for use in "The Worker". CG 5824-S* commented that undoubtedly DENNIS will discuss this with the staff of "The Worker". DENNIS did ask whether or not this material would consist of public relations or if it would be inner Party documents.

CG 5824-S* has further advised that he made arrangements with ELIZABETH MASCOLO to mail to her suggested dates for a two-day meeting between the informant and TIM BUCK in Toronto. If these dates are satisfactory to BUCK, the informant will not receive any reply. As of 2/20/58, the informant had as yet not decided what dates he would select for a meeting with BUCK.

While the possibility of the informant making a trip to Russia now exists and there is no stumbling block as far as the Communist Party of the Soviet Union is concerned, such a venture does pose many problems to the informant and thus to the Bureau.

Comments in this regard by the informant and the Chicago Division will be submitted to the Bureau in the immediate future.

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Date: December 12, 1957

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From SAC, CHICAGO (100-33729)

To: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-81)

RE: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
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Re Chicago teletypes November 25, 1957 and December 5, 1957, reflecting that NY 694-S* had received a message from LESLIE MORRIS, Acting Secretary of the Labor Progressive Party of Canada in the absence of TIM BUCK, that the Russians are most happy and glad to make contact with CG 5824-S* and EUGENE DENNIS and are awaiting proposals from the states in regard to contact. It is noted that CG 5824-S* conveyed this message to EUGENE DENNIS in New York City on December 4, 1957. Since the discussion in regard to this matter was not concluded on December 4, 1957, DENNIS and CG 5824-S* agreed to conclude the discussion at the latter's residence.

CG 5824-S* orally advised SA JOHN E. KEATING on December 11, 1957, that he and DENNIS discussed this matter on December 10, 1957 in Chicago.

DENNIS indicated to the informant he is anxious to have the CP, USA make personal contact with the CP of the Soviet Union and realizes that he cannot stall the Russians much longer in regard to this contact. DENNIS instructed CG 5824-S* to go to Canada to see TIM BUCK as soon as information is received that BUCK has returned to Canada from Moscow. It is noted that BUCK is scheduled to return to Canada prior to the holidays. DENNIS asked CG 5824-S* to obtain any and all information BUCK may have in regard to a possible contact between the CP, USA and CP, SU.

- 4 - Bureau (AIRMAIL)(REGISTERED)
 - 1 - 100-TIM BUCK
- 3 - New York (REGISTERED)
 - 1 - 100-86624 (CP, USA, International Relations)(#19-1)
 - 1 - 100-8057 (EUGENE DENNIS)(#19-1)
 - 1 - 134-91 (NY 694-S*)(P & G)(Info)(#6)
- 2 - Chicago
 - 1 - 134-46

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DENNIS also stated that he thought that the picture in the CP would be clearer after the meeting of the National Executive Committee scheduled to start on December 20, 1957, and that any contact between the CP, USA and the CP, SU should be after the NEC meeting. He also stated that the picture in the CP, USA, that is, whether the Left-Wing or the Right-Wing gains control, should be even clearer after the meeting of the National Committee scheduled for February, 1958. DENNIS stated, however, that he thought that CG 5824-S* should plan to go to Russia prior to the National Committee meeting if the information from TIM BUCK is to the effect that the Russians want to make personal contact as soon as possible.

CG 5824-S* stated that he told DENNIS that he was not in a hurry to make the trip reminding DENNIS that it would be necessary to make many technical arrangements before such a trip could be made. DENNIS agreed that a full discussion and preparation of the technical arrangements would be necessary.

DENNIS further stated that he was considering the possibility of taking at least one other person from the Left-Wing into his confidence in regard to this trip so that CG 5824-S* would not go as a personal representative of DENNIS provided that the Left-Wing has not gained control of the Party prior to the trip.

CG 5824-S* asked DENNIS if he had considered sending someone with CG 5824-S* if this trip to Russia is made. DENNIS stated that he had no possibilities in mind to accompany the informant and that he believes that CG 5824-S* should make the trip alone. The Bureau will be promptly advised of any pertinent developments in this matter.

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TO DIRECTOR AND SAC, NEW YORK

FROM SAC, CHICAGO 052300

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CP, USA, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, IS C. RE CHICAGO TELETYPE NOVEMBER 25 LAST AND CHICAGO AIRTEL NOVEMBER 27 LAST. CHICAGO 5824 S* ADVISED ON DECEMBER 5 INSTANT THAT HE CONVEYED, IN PERSON, TO EUGENE DENNIS ON DECEMBER 4 LAST A MESSAGE NEW YORK 694 S* HAD RECEIVED FROM LESLIE MORRIS, ACTING LPP SECRETARY. CHICAGO 5824 S* AND DENNIS WERE UNABLE TO COMPLETE THEIR DISCUSSION SINCE DENNIS WAS INVOLVED IN MEETINGS PERTAINING TO ACTION CP, USA WILL TAKE IN REGARD TO STATEMENT ISSUED BY TWELVE COMMUNIST PARTIES AT CONCLUSION OF MEETINGS IN CONNECTION WITH CELEBRATION OF FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF RUSSIAN REVOLUTION. DENNIS WILL MEET IN CHICAGO WITH CHICAGO INFORMANT ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8 NEXT AT LATTER'S RESIDENCE TO CONCLUDE THIS DISCUSSION. INFORMANT URGED DENNIS TO MAKE A DECISION ON WHETHER CP, USA WILL SEND A REPRESENTATIVE TO CP SU BUT DID NOT AND WILL NOT URGE THAT DENNIS SELECT INFORMANT AS THIS REPRESENTATIVE BUT DID INDICATE TO DENNIS THAT RUSSIA WOULD NOT ACCEPT JUST ANYONE AND HAVE INDICATED THAT THEY WOULD ACCEPT THE INFORMANT. CHICAGO 5824 S* OF OPINION DENNIS WILL DECIDE THAT INFORMANT SHOULD CONTACT TIM BUCK IN CANADA UPON HIS RETURN FROM MOSCOW TO OBTAIN FULL DETAILS AND EXPLANATION OF MESSAGE FROM THE RUSSIANS DELIVERED BY LESLIE MORRIS. AFTER THE CONVERSATION BETWEEN BUCK AND THE INFORMANT DENNIS WILL

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PROBABLY THEN MAKE A DECISION. INFORMANT OF OPINION DENNIS WAS PLEASED TO RECEIVE THE MESSAGE SINCE IT INDICATES THAT HE IS PRESENTLY IN FAVOR WITH THE RUSSIANS. INFORMANT ALSO OF THE OPINION DENNIS KNOWS NOW THAT CPSU WANTS DIRECT CONTACT WITH CPUSA AND NOT CONTACT THROUGH A THIRD PARTY. BUREAU AND NEW YORK WILL BE PROMPTLY ADVISED OF RESULTS OF MEETING BETWEEN DENNIS AND THE INFORMANT ON DECEMBER 8 NEXT.

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URGENT 11-25-57 9:10 PM GDW

TO DIRECTOR AND SAC, NEW YORK

FROM SAC, CHICAGO 0 260033

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CP, USA. INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS. IS-C. ON NOVEMBER 25
INSTANT CHICAGO 5824-S* ADVISED THAT NEW YORK 694-S, BECAUSE
OF URGENCY OF MESSAGE HE WAS CARRYING, WAS IN CHICAGO AND
REQUESTED CONTACT BETWEEN CHICAGO OFFICE AND BOTH INFORMANTS.
NEW YORK 694-S HAD FLOWN DIRECTLY FROM CANADA TO CHICAGO BE-
CAUSE HE WAS CARRYING MESSAGE WITH TIME ELEMENT AND WHICH
REQUIRED PERSONAL CONTACT AND INTERPRETATIONS BETWEEN HIM-
SELF AND CHICAGO 5824-S*. NEW YORK 694-S ADVISED THAT HE
ARRIVED IN CANADA EVENING OF NOVEMBER 21 LAST AND MET JACK
COWAN OF LPP WHO IMMEDIATELY ARRANGED MEETING FOR INFORMANT
WITH LPP SECRETARIAT, CONSISTING OF BILL KASHTON, ORGANIZATION
SECRETARY, AND LESLIE MORRIS, ACTING LPP SECRETARY IN ABSENCE
OF TIM BUCK, WHO IS IN MOSCOW. MORRIS TOLD NEW YORK 694-S THAT
RUSSIAN AMBASSADOR TO CANADA, CHAUBIN (PHONETIC) CALLED HIM
TO OTTAWA TO CONVEY MESSAGE TO CHICAGO 5824-S* THAT ~~QUOTE~~ THEY
(CP SU) ARE MOST HAPPY AND GLAD ~~UNQUOTE~~ TO MAKE CONTACT WITH
CHICAGO 5824-S* AND EUGENE DENNIS AND ARE AWAITING PROPOSALS
FROM THE ~~QUOTE~~ STATES ~~UNQUOTE~~ RE CONTACT AND ~~QUOTE~~ HOW SOON
~~UNQUOTE~~. MORRIS STATED THAT WHEN THE AMBASSADOR GAVE HIM THE
MESSAGE, HE STATED THAT THERE WAS A 2 WEEK DEADLINE. MORRIS,
KASHTON, AND NEW YORK 694-S ATTEMPTED TO INTERPRET THIS DEAD-
LINE DATE AND DEBATED WHETHER HE, MORRIS, SHOULD HAVE CALLED

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CHICAGO 5824-S* IMMEDIATELY OR WHETHER IT WAS SAFE TO WAIT FOR THE RETURN OF TIM BUCK FROM MOSCOW, NOW SCHEDULED FOR SOMETIME AROUND CHRISTMAS. IN DISCUSSION, MORRIS SAID LPP HAS NOT HEARD DIRECTLY FROM BUCK SINCE DEPARTURE FOR RUSSIA AND NEITHER HE, MORRIS, NOR KASHTON, WAS ABLE TO SAY WHETHER ABOVE INSTRUCTIONS MAY HAVE BEEN SET IN MOTION BY BUCK FROM RUSSIA, OR WHETHER BUCK MAY HAVE CONVEYED SUBSTANCE OF PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN HIM AND CHICAGO 5824-S* RE MATTER OF DIRECT CONTACT BETWEEN AMERICAN CP AND CP SU* THROUGH RUSSIAN EMBASSY IN CANADA PRIOR TO DEPARTURE. AFTER DEBATE BETWEEN ABOVE 3 PERSONS, MORRIS SUGGESTED THAT CHICAGO 5824-S* SHOULD WAIT FOR TIM BUCK'S RETURN TO CANADA AS HE MAY HAVE ADDITIONAL DETAILS. MORRIS SAID ~~QUOTE~~ LET THE DEADLINE BE BETWEEN NOW AND THE FIRST OF THE YEAR ~~UNQUOTE~~. NEW YORK 694-S ARRANGED FOR IMMEDIATE NOTIFICATION OF BUCK'S RETURN AND CHICAGO 5824-S* WILL SEE HIM RE TRIP MATTER AND ALSO RE RECENTLY MADE DECISIONS OF MOSCOW CONFERENCE OF ALL COMMUNIST PARTIES IMMEDIATELY UPON BUCK'S RETURN. CHICAGO 5824-S* AND NEW YORK 694-S IN ATTEMPTING TO INTERPRET MESSAGE STATED AS FOLLOWS: THE LAST TIME CHICAGO 5824-S* SAW BUCK, HE GAVE BUCK DENNIS MESSAGE REQUESTING CONTACT BE ESTABLISHED BETWEEN AMERICAN AND CP SU. BUCK EXPLAINED DIFFICULTY OF ESTABLISHING PERSONAL CONTACTS FOR SUCH MEETING EITHER BY LEGAL OR ILLEGAL MEANS. RE 2 WEEK DEADLINE, CHICAGO 5824-S* RECALLED THAT IN LAST DISCUSSION WITH BUCK INFORMANT MENTIONED THAT DENNIS FELT THAT PERHAPS A THIRD PARTY, POSSIBLY A LPP REPRESENTATIVE, SHOULD PARTICIPATE IN THIS DIRECT DISCUSSION. TWO WEEK DEADLINE COULD MEAN THAT WHEN BUCK GOT TO MOSCOW AND USSR SAW NO AMERICAN PARTY REPRESENTATIVE AT CONFERENCE, RUSSIA MAY HAVE INSTRUCTED THAT AMERICAN REPRESENTATIVE BE SENT IN IMMEDIATELY WHILE BUCK STILL IN MOSCOW, THUS ACCOUNTING FOR 2 WEEK DEADLINE. CHICAGO 5824-S* CONTINUING RECALLED HIS REPORT TO DENNIS RE BUCK MEETING AND HIS, DENNIS', REACTION AS BEING SKEPTICAL ABOUT

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CHICAGO 5824-S* GOING TO USSR AT THAT TIME. CHICAGO 5824-S* NOW SAYS THAT DENNIS WILL RECOGNIZE THAT IN VIEW OF THIS MESSAGE RUSSIANS ARE VERY ANXIOUS TO MAKE DIRECT CONTACT WITH AMERICAN CP, THAT CP SU IS FRIENDLY TOWARD INFORMANT, AND THAT HE SHOULD DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO GET CP IN US SYMPATHETIC TO CP SU. CHICAGO 5824-S* ADVISES FOLLOWING SHOULD BE DONE: NUMBER 1. THAT DENNIS BE APPRISED OF THIS DEVELOPMENT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, PERHAPS WITHIN THE NEXT 10 DAYS, BY CHICAGO 5824-S* PERSONALLY. PERSONAL CONTACT NECESSARY SINCE NEW YORK 694-S IS NOT SKILLED IN POLITICAL FIELD TO THE EXTENT THAT HE CAN TALK WITH DENNIS RE INTERPRETATION OF POLITICAL SIGNIFICANCE OF MESSAGE OR THE MEANING OF THE DEADLINE DATE. FURTHER, THAT CONSIDERATION BE GIVEN BY BUREAU AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO POSSIBLE METHODS AND MEANS OF GETTING CHICAGO 5824-S* EN ROUTE TO HIS ASSIGNMENT BY LEGAL OR ILLEGAL MEANS. NUMBER 2. CHICAGO 5824-S* CONCLUDES BY NATURE OF THE SOURCE OF THIS REPLY, I.E., THROUGH THE RUSSIAN EMBASSY IN CANADA, THAT THE RUSSIANS ARE IN HURRY FOR REPLY. CHICAGO AND INFORMANTS FEEL THAT CONTACT WITH DENNIS NECESSARY FOR REACTION PURPOSES BEFORE DEFINITE PLANS RE CHICAGO 5824-S* TRIP SHOULD BE MADE. CHICAGO 5824-S* FEELS THAT DENNIS CONTACT SHOULD BE MADE WITHIN NEXT WEEK OR 10 DAYS AND BUREAU AND NEW YORK WILL BE ADVISED OF DEVELOPMENTS. FOR INFO NEW YORK, NEW YORK 694-S TENTATIVELY INTENDS TO DEPART CHICAGO EVENING OF NOVEMBER 25 INSTANT. NO OTHER PHASES OF CANADIAN OPERATION DISCUSSED WITH HIM. CHICAGO OFFICE OF OPINION ABOVE DATA HIGHLY SIGNIFICANT AND ITS VARIOUS RAMIFICATIONS BE CAREFULLY CONSIDERED BY BUREAU IF INFORMANT DESIGNATED TO PROCEED TO S.U.

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TO : MR. L. V. BOARDMAN

FROM : MR. A. H. BELMONT

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
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- 1 - Mr. Boardman
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Reference is made to previous memoranda relative to possibility that CG 5824-S, one of our most highly placed informants, may be selected by Communist Party, USA (CPUSA), to establish direct liaison with Soviet Union. *(Solo)*

In this connection, CG 5824-S conversed with Sid Stein, secretary of organization, national committee, CPUSA, on 9-16-57 relative to the criticism of John Gates, member of national administrative committee, CPUSA, which appeared in last issue of Russian publication "The Communist." Stein agreed that this article was written to bring about the ouster of Gates and his associates in the CPUSA. Stein stated that present leadership of CPUSA is not going to accept this interference from Russia and that the article will be answered with a blast. Stein stated that he does not believe that this is the time for CPUSA to send a delegation to Russia since this delegation could not discuss things openly, could not be elected openly and could not send all factions within CPUSA. *(Solo)*

CG 5824-S also conversed on 9-16-57 with Eugene Dennis, chairman, national administrative committee, CPUSA, at which time Dennis stated he believes this is an inopportune moment for CPUSA to send a delegation to Russia. Dennis stated that the technical difficulties are almost insurmountable and that no leading CP member wants to take a chance on a passport fraud or some similar development. *(Solo)*

Dennis stated he had been thinking of an alternative to sending a CPUSA delegation to Russia. This alternate plan would involve arrangements with Canadian CP whereby John Williamson, deported Smith Act subject now residing in London, would make a trip from England to Canada. CPUSA would then send a couple of people to Canada to give Williamson the situation within CPUSA. Williamson would then go to Russia, present the facts to the Russians and obtain a clarification of policy. *(Solo)*

Informant feels that it will be some time before Dennis finally makes up his mind concerning the idea of a delegation to Russia or the alternate plan of having Williamson come to Canada. *(Solo)*

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Memorandum to Mr. Boardman
RE: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
100-3-81

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. [In view of the sensitive nature of the source of our information, no dissemination is being afforded this data outside the Bureau. (S)]

2. There is attached an appropriate communication to the Chicago and New York Offices as well as to the Legal Attaches, London and Ottawa, advising them to be alert to the possibility of Williamson coming into Canada and to keep Bureau advised of all pertinent developments. (S)

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM *** UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-81)
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CG 5824-S*, on September 19, 1957, made available to SA JOHN E. KEATING several dictaphone memo belts, the transcription of which is located in Chicago file A/134-46-3892. The information contained on the following pages is located in this transcription:

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- 5 - Bureau (REGISTERED)
 - (1 - 100-) (Communist Party of Canada) #272640
 - (1 - 100-) (TIM BUCK)
 - (1 - 100-11687) (JOHN WILLIAMSON)
- 14 - New York (REGISTERED)
 - (1 - 100-86624) (CP - USA, International Relations) (#19)
 - (1 - 100-81752) (CP - USA, Brief) (#7-2)
 - (1 - 100-87211) (CP - USA, Factionalism) (#19)
 - (1 - 100-80640) (CP - USA, Negro Question) (#19)
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On Monday, September 16, 1957, SID STEIN and MORRIS CHILDS were discussing the article by PONOMAREV in "The Communist", which is published in Moscow, Russia. STEIN and CHILDS both agreed that the article was written to bring about the ouster of JOHN GATES and those associated with him in the Communist Party - USA who want to split the Party.

CHILDS suggested that perhaps by the use of more diplomacy and tact, the Communist Party - USA could get the Russians to stop interfering in the affairs of the American Party. STEIN stated that the present leadership of the Communist Party - USA is not going to accept interference, that this article in "The Communist" will not only be answered, but it will be answered with a blast.

In answer to a comment by CHILDS that perhaps the Russians are criticizing the Communist Party - USA only because the American Party has a bad press, STEIN said that he did not think that this was so. He said that the Russians have received all the documents issued by the Communist Party - USA and he knows for a fact that they were delivered. STEIN then stated that the Soviet Party insists on obedient tools and we will not commit suicide by following them.

STEIN then discussed the fight in the National Executive Committee meeting held a few days prior to this conversation. He said that some people, such as BEN DAVIS, JR., and WILLIAM L. PATTERSON, wanted to embark upon a petition campaign. This petition would be presented to the United Nations and would charge the United States with suppression in regard to the Negro people. STEIN said that he is convinced that this move was instigated by the Russians. He said, We defeated it and we were fully aware that this was a gimmick to be utilized by Soviet diplomacy to avoid the Hungarian indictment.

SID STEIN then stated that he thinks that now is not the time for the Communist Party - USA to deal with the Russians. If, however, the Communist Party - USA would deal with the Russians, it should deal with them on an equal basis. We should tell them where we stand. STEIN repeated, however, that he thought that this would be an inopportune time to send a delegation to Russia, since this delegation could not discuss things openly, could not be elected openly, could not satisfy all groups in the Communist Party - USA, and it might be used against the Communist Party - USA.

In conclusion, STEIN stated that the Russians, the leadership of the Communist Party - SU, are not children. They think that their present activities in regard to the Communist Party - USA are helping this Party. STEIN stated, however, that he believes that the Russians are making a terrible mistake because they are alienating many people in the United States, the one country where they can least afford to alienate the people.

Subsequently on September 16, 1957, there was a meeting in Madison Park, New York City, between EUGENE DENNIS and MORRIS CHILDS. CHILDS discussed with DENNIS a recent conversation he had had with TIM BUCK, leader of the Labor Progressive Party, which is the Communist Party of Canada. This discussion between BUCK and CHILDS concerned the possibility of a delegation from the Communist Party - USA going to Russia to consult with the CPSU.

DENNIS stated that he was of the opinion that this might be an inopportune moment for the Communist Party - USA to send a delegation to the CPSU. He said that first of all he thought that the technical difficulties are almost insurmountable. He said that no leading comrade wants to take a chance of getting himself involved in such a manner that he might be picked up on a passport fraud or something else of that sort. In addition, he stated, we could not discuss these things openly. The most we can do is to give the Russians some information and wait for a more opportune moment.

Then DENNIS said that he had been thinking of an alternative to the sending of a delegation from the Communist Party - USA to Russia. This alternate plan would involve working out some arrangements with the Canadians, whereby JOHN WILLIAMSON would make a trip from England to Canada. Then the Communist Party - USA would send a couple of people to Canada to meet with WILLIAMSON and to give him a picture of the situation in the United States and in the Communist Party - USA. JOHN WILLIAMSON would then go to Russia and present to the Soviet Party the exact relationship of forces in the United States and obtain a clarification of policy. DENNIS stated that he thought that CHILDS should be on any committee which would meet with WILLIAMSON, but he said that he was not sure now that the Communist Party - USA could find a couple of additional people who could be placed on such a committee. He stated that certainly the Right wing would want to be represented and the Left wing would want to

be represented. Yet, how can such a thing be debated in the open?

Concerning the Right wing, DENNIS said that the Soviets would not find any of the Right wing people acceptable, especially in direct negotiations, and, in fact, would not even let them into Russia. Thus, for the time being some alternative must be found. He thinks that the best alternative is to get JOHN WILLIAMSON into Canada, meet with him there and open up negotiations with the Russians in this fashion. Unless, of course, circumstances change so that a delegation can go directly to Russia.

In discussing the current situation in the leadership of the Communist Party - USA, DENNIS said that he sees no possibility of peace with GATES, nor does he see any possibility to reconcile with WILLIAM Z. FOSTER. DENNIS said that he thinks that the Soviet Party is making a mistake in giving the kind of backing that they are giving to FOSTER. CHILDS urged DENNIS to write some articles so that he, too, can appear in print in the Soviet press and speak for the Communist Party - USA.

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The leaders in the National Office of the Communist Party - USA are aware of the gathering storm in the Communist Party - USA. This is why they are not too anxious for a delegation or a delegation to talk to the Soviet Party at this juncture. Such a delegation would have to be a secret. It, therefore, could not speak up. If it did, it would speak only for a faction or two and not for the entire Party. Then there is the danger that news of the delegation might leak out to the United States Government because of technical difficulties. This, they believe, would endanger the Communist Party.

Further, the GATES faction would like to stay away from the Soviet connections. This faction has a free hand without Soviet connections. DENNIS would like to make contact with the Russians, but he does not want to create a situation whereby his opponents would have a weapon in their claim that the Party leadership, headed by DENNIS or that faction associated with DENNIS, is Soviet dominated. This was the charge of JOE CLARK.

Thus, it is necessary to keep in mind that the idea of a delegation from the Communist Party - USA to the USSR will be postponed. The plan of DENNIS to bring JOHN WILLIAMSON to Canada has to be organized. This will take time.

I believe that it would not be advisable for us to push the idea of a delegation to the USSR or even to rush the plan of DENNIS in regard to JOHN WILLIAMSON. It is necessary to keep in mind that the factional fight in the Communist Party - USA is going to intensify. Thus, it is necessary to avoid getting caught in the cross-fire of factionalism.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (61-7665)

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FROM : SAC, CHICAGO [redacted]

ATTENTION: ASSISTANT DIRECTOR
A. H. BELMONT

SUBJECT: CONF. INFT.
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Re Chicago airtel March 3, 1958, entitled "CP, USA, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, INTERNAL SECURITY - C". Re airtel related to the proposed trip of CG 5824-S*.

It is believed that the negotiations as to this proposed trip to Russia by CG 5824-S* have now materialized to the point that very concrete plans must be made on the assumption that the trip may become a reality. In view of the extreme importance of this overall matter, I have been giving it my personal attention and on February 28, 1958, along with other representatives of this office, I met with CG 5824-S* as well as [redacted] for the purpose of determining all possible ramifications as well as the attitude of these two informants. I was very impressed with their capabilities and overall desires to be of continuing assistance to the Bureau.

As reflected in re Chicago airtel March 3, 1958, the Soviets are now definitely anticipating that CG 5824-S* will be given the assignment as representative of CP, USA or as a personal representative of EUGENE DENNIS. The informant is leaving for New York on the evening of March 5, 1958, to contact EUGENE DENNIS and furnish him the results of the informant's conversation with TIM BUCK. As soon as the results of this conference are received the Bureau will be promptly advised. It is believed, however, that as a result of this conference time may become of the essence and the informant will be placed in a position of having to proceed as quickly as possible to make the necessary arrangements to carry out this directive.

As a result of our conference with CG 5824-S*, informant will **EX-128** these questions and problems with DENNIS:

- 1.) If DENNIS agrees, he will want to have DENNIS take into confidence one of the **top** leaders in the Communist Party such as BOB THOMPSON and JIM JACKSON, in order that the informant is not placed in a

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• position of representing DENNIS only rather than the leadership of the American Party.

2.) For security reasons he will make every effort to obtain funds to assist in making this trip. He recognizes that immediate funds may not be forthcoming and he may be instructed to secure the money through other sources, Communist or non-Communist, with the understanding that informant would be repaid by the Soviets. The informant is of this opinion that DENNIS may not be forthcoming with funds since even the national leadership admits they are unable to obtain any information concerning whatever might be remaining of reserve funds in New York.

3.) He plans to discuss with DENNIS the technical problems of securing a passport and obtain his viewpoints based upon the informant's discussion with TIM BUCK.

4.) While in New York City he plans to obtain the viewpoints of NY 694-S* as to technical problems involved in view of the latter's prior experience as an individual involved in the Comintern apparatus.

In looking over the overall situation, it is believed that the immediate decision to be made revolves around the method of obtaining a passport for the informant to leave the country. The possible alternatives are set forth on page 6 of re airtel. In considering all factors, the Chicago Office is of the opinion and CG 5824-S* agrees, that at this time it appears the most logical method of obtaining a passport is to use the name of another individual whose description is similar to that of the informant. Before a final decision can be made on this, however, it is believed essential to determine exactly what action is taken by the State Department upon receipt of an application for a passport. This is believed essential in order that we can fully explore what is necessary to insure full security for this cover.

In discussing this matter with the informant, it has been suggested by him that he could assume the identity of a cousin who died approximately two years ago. This cousin was born in Chicago and lived in Chicago practically all his life. It would be necessary, of course, to fully obtain the detailed background of his cousin from the informant to be certain that all of the necessary documents and papers were in order. We would not necessarily be restricted to the use of this cousin's name, but this is merely cited as an example and whether this or a fictitious name would be used would depend to a large extent on the result of

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our inquiries to the State Department on what check is made on applications for passports. There are many other ramifications in connection with handling this matter but details are not set forth at this time since it is felt that any further detailed planning will depend upon the outcome of the informant's conference with DENNIS as well as a check of State Department procedures.

As mentioned previously, I was most impressed with the informant in my conference with him. He fully recognizes all of the potential risks involved in his proposed venture as well as the extreme value of the results of such a mission, if successful, to the United States Government. He expressed a hope that this mission could be ~~successfully~~ carried out in order that it could open up possible future channels of information which would be of invaluable assistance to the Bureau on a continuing basis. He stated that he was fully cognizant of the fact that it might be most difficult to handle any information which might be obtained as a result of such a mission since any action which might be taken could well jeopardize the continued flow of future data through whatever channels might be open.

I am of the opinion that from an overall intelligence viewpoint, the opportunity now presents itself, barring unforeseen circumstances, to have one of our informants in the enviable position of acting as a courier between the CP, USA and the CP, SU. I feel that this matter should be given the most careful consideration by the Bureau and I further feel that it would be highly desirable for Assistant Director BELMONT to proceed to Chicago shortly after the return of the informant from New York in order that the Bureau's overall desires and policy in this matter can be fully discussed with the informant.

The following two immediate recommendations are made:

- 1.) The Bureau, through liaison channels, immediately check with the Passport Division of the State Department on a general basis and determine exactly what action is taken on a passport application. These inquiries should be of such a nature in order that we can determine what safeguards should be set up in order to insure the smooth processing of an application by the informant without the assistance of the Bureau or any other Governmental agency.

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2.) CG 5824-S* tentatively plans to return to Chicago by the afternoon of March 8, 1958. If the Bureau favorably considers the recommendation that Assistant Director BELMONT proceed to Chicago for the purposes stated above, it is believed desirable that this be done during the week of March 10, 1958.

Overall Observations

As to recommendation #2 above, I feel very strongly as to the necessity for Assistant Director BELMONT to personally meet with CG 5824-S* at this time. The informant is now in a position after approximately six years of effort of culminating the most important assignment since he became a Bureau informant. His overall attitude is excellent. He is, of course, physically sick and a number of problems which can be handled locally must be resolved. These problems are the handling of his aged parents, his house while he is gone, the attitude of the CP functionaries to let the informant carry the burden and perfecting this mission.

His overall philosophy is that he is perfectly willing to undertake the risks involved if the long term importance of this assignment is fully recognized and the information gathered is not utilized by top Government officials outside the Bureau for "political expediency". I believe it is essential to put our best foot forward and the overall policy viewpoint in view of the top position which this informant now occupies, which can be presented only by an official of Assistant Director BELMONT's stature with his overall knowledge of Bureau policy and procedures.

Prompt receipt of the Bureau's views as to the above will be appreciated.

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BECAUSE OF THE NATURE OF THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION AND BECAUSE IT CONCERNS THE FUTURE OPERATIONS OF A HIGHLY PLACED INFORMANT, IT IS SUGGESTED THAT THIS INFORMATION NOT BE DISSEMINATED OUTSIDE THE BUREAU AT THIS TIME.

CG 5824-S* orally advised SA JOHN E. KEATING on 2/28/58 that he had received the following information from TIM BUCK, leader of the Labor Progressive Party (the Communist Party of Canada), on 2/25-26/58, in Toronto, Canada. It is noted that BUCK returned to Canada in February, 1958, after having spent over two months in Russia and China.

BUCK stated that he conveyed to the Russian leadership a message from EUGENE DENNIS that MORRIS CHILDS was selected as a representative to go to Russia. This message from DENNIS was in response to an original request from the Russians for such a representative from the United States. BUCK stated that MORRIS

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 CHILDS was approved as a representative of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union by MIKHAIL SUSLOV, OTTO KUUSINEN and one BESIDEEN (ph). BUCK stated that they realized that it might be impossible for the Communist Party - USA to send an official delegate to the Soviet Union, and agreed to accept a personal representative of EUGENE DENNIS, who they consider to be the real leader of the Communist Party - USA.

BUCK further stated that these officials of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union wanted CHILDS to attend the celebration of the 40th Anniversary of the Soviet Union in Moscow and this is why a time limit was set in the message conveyed to LESLIE MORRIS, a member of the Secretariat of the Labor Progressive Party. When there was no response to this message, it was assumed that technical difficulties prevented CHILDS from making a trip to Russia on such short notice.

BUCK stated that the top Soviet leaders are very anxious to talk with a member of the Communist Party - USA. He said that they are hungry for first-hand news and a political interpretation of events in the Communist Party - USA and in the United States. BUCK also stated that the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of China expressed a desire to see CHILDS. He told BUCK to tell CHILDS that he should go to the Chinese Embassy when he gets to Moscow and arrangements will be made for him to be taken by a jet plane to China, even if he can spend no more than one week in China.

According to BUCK, he was scheduled to meet with JANOS KADAR in Hungary after his return to Moscow from China. He was also scheduled to stop over in England on his return to Canada. KUUSINEN and SUSLOV told BUCK that they would send a courier to KADAR to get the information BUCK wanted from KADAR. They also told him not to lay over in England, but to get to Canada and convey the following information to EUGENE DENNIS or his representative:

- (1) They understand that EUGENE DENNIS is doing the best he can under the circumstances and they are pleased with what he is doing.

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(2) If BUCK is able to convey this information to DENNIS or his representative, perhaps it will give DENNIS some encouragement in the coming struggle in the Communist Party - USA and it might help the Communist Party of the Soviet Union to get information concerning the February, 1958, meeting of the National Committee of the Communist Party - USA as soon as possible.

(3) They are anxious for the representative of the Communist Party - USA to get to Russia and will try to make some technical provisions for such a trip if this is a problem.

BUCK said that he discussed technical problems with the Russians. He said that he told them that even with an American passport, a delegate from the Communist Party - USA to the Communist Party of the Soviet Union could not travel openly.

BUCK stated that the Russians told him that all housing and security precautions would be arranged for the delegate from the Communist Party - USA while he is in Russia. They also told him that they had talked specifically and concretely to the Brazilian Communist Party delegates to the 40th Anniversary celebration in Moscow. The Russians told BUCK that if the representative from the Communist Party - USA can get to Brazil, they will see that he gets to London and then through the Baltics to Helsinki, Finland. From Finland, the Russians would get him to Moscow.

BUCK stated that the Russians suggested Brazil because they thought that a person could go from the United States to Brazil without a passport. When they were told that a passport was needed for travel from the United States to Brazil, he said that this upset all the plans which had been made.

BUCK then stated that he had to send a letter by courier before Thursday, 2/27/58. This letter would go to Russia. It was to contain the results of the meeting of the National Committee of the Communist Party - USA held on 2/15-16/58. It was also to contain the resolution on the Party prepared by EUGENE

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DENNIS and adopted by the National Committee. It was also to contain the resolution on JOHN GATES adopted at the National Committee meeting. It was also to contain the identities and the political composition of the new National Executive Committee of the Communist Party - USA. It was also to confirm that MORRIS CHILDS is to be the representative from the United States to the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, and will set forth the problems involved in getting such a representative from the United States to Russia.

BUCK commented that MIKHAIL SUSLOV is very careful security-wise. BUCK said that SUSLOV stated that he would not send any messages in code to Brazil. He stated that even though their code is changed frequently, they operate on the theory that it can be broken at any time. Therefore, he would send any messages to Brazil by courier.

BUCK stated that it was necessary to emphasize that CHILDS should make the trip to Russia as soon as possible because the leaders of the Soviet Union stress the urgency of seeing a representative from the Communist Party - USA soon.

Then BUCK said that he still thought that the best bet is for CHILDS to get an American passport, if possible. BUCK even suggested the possibility of the use of the name of someone who resembles CHILDS in an effort to get an American passport. BUCK said that an American passport is still the best passport to have for travel in Europe and Asia.

BUCK further stated that the Russians would make provisions for CHILDS' wife, if she accompanied him.

BUCK said that it might be possible for CHILDS to go to Russia with a Canadian passport. However, this would mean that CHILDS would have to live in Canada, then apply for a passport, and then undergo an interview by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. BUCK said that if things did not go smoothly, there might be trouble in such a plan, but the main difficulty with such a plan is that it would cause a long delay. BUCK then mentioned that Mexico might be a possibility, and said that he would see what he could find out about this. He commented that if CHILDS

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could go to Mexico, perhaps the Mexican Communist Party could get him a passport. He commented that some of the Latin American delegates to the celebration of the 40th Anniversary of the Russian Revolution could not get passports from their own countries to Russia, so they left from other countries in Latin America and were given assistance by the Communist Party of Mexico.

BUCK stated that CHILDS should do everything possible on his own to get to Russia as soon as possible, but should use precaution so as not to alert United States Government authorities. In this regard, BUCK said that CHILDS should not go to Canada in the immediate future, if he is making preparations for this trip. BUCK said that if he receives any information from the Russians, he will have ELIZABETH MASCOLO call CHILDS' wife from a public telephone to see if CHILDS is at home. If he is, then MASCOLO will make a trip to CHILDS' residence and deliver the message to him or perhaps will request that CHILDS' brother make a trip to Toronto.

BUCK also stated that if the Communist Party - USA wants financial assistance from the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, then CHILDS should be prepared to present proposals as to how this money might be supplied in an indirect manner; for example, royalties, etc.

BUCK also stated that any bulk material, as opposed to letters, which the Communist Party - USA wants him to transmit to the Communist Party of the Soviet Union should be addressed to Progress Books, 924 King Street West, Toronto, Canada. Any material which CHILDS wants sent to Russia for his use when he arrives in Moscow should be addressed to Progress Books Union, with the same Toronto address. BUCK gave the impression that the Russians gave him the assignment to get a representative from the Communist Party - USA to Russia as soon as possible, and that he does not want to fail in this mission.

Comments of CG 5824-S*

924 King Street West
Toronto, Canada

At this point, MORRIS CHILDS has been agreed upon by both the Communist Party - USA and the Communist Party of the Soviet Union leadership as the representative to go to the Soviet

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Union. While this selection of CHILDS could not be altered in a short time, there should not be much delay in getting CHILDS to Russia. For this reason, his health permitting, EUGENE DENNIS should be given this information from BUCK personally during the week of 3/2/58. CHILDS might try the following:

- (1) Apply for a passport in his own name as a roving correspondent for "The Worker" and see what the attitude of the United States State Department would be.
- (2) Apply for a passport using the name of another individual whose description is similar to that of CHILDS'.
- (3) Go to Canada, live there for a while, and apply for a Canadian passport. The difficulty with this plan is that if anything happened to prevent CHILDS from obtaining this passport, the Soviets would have nothing to do with CHILDS in the future and would "disown him".
- (4) Attempt to get to Brazil by way of Mexico. One difficulty in this possibility is that CHILDS does not speak Spanish and might encounter difficulties while travelling on a Brazilian passport.

BUCK did not say how such a trip would be financed. Undoubtedly, DENNIS will tell CHILDS to try to borrow enough money to get to Russia, at which time he would be reimbursed and would also be provided with return transportation.

Comments of the Chicago Division

The major problems in regard to this matter appear to be the following:

- (1) The possibility of an immediate passport.
- (2) The need to make some temporary financial

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arrangements for [redacted] It is believed highly desirable that CG 5824-S* be accompanied by [redacted] yet, she may lose her job as a result of such an extended absence.

- (3) Maintenance and security of the residence of CG 5824-S* [redacted] while on a trip of possibly two months' duration.
- (4) A possible physical examination for CG 5824-S* before such a trip is undertaken. It is felt that such a trip would open up channels of communication and would have great value beyond the trip itself. Thus, it would be in the Bureau's interest to use every precaution to take full advantage of this.
- (5) The providing of funds for CG 5824-S* [redacted] to get to Russia. It would be understood that the Russians would be asked to make a reimbursement for travel expenses to Russia.

It is believed that the most serious problem is that of a passport. The Chicago Division will make recommendations in this regard as soon as the results of the next contact with EUGENE DENNIS are known.

With regard to the letter that BUCK was to send to Russia by courier, since CG 5824-S* left Canada before the date when this letter was to be sent, it is not known whether or not BUCK sent it, but it is assumed that he did.

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TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

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FROM : MR. F. J. BAUMGARDNER

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Reference is made to my memorandum to you dated 2-15-58 setting forth information obtained by two of our most highly placed informants, NY 694-S and CG 5824-S, from Elizabeth Mascolo, common-law wife of Tim Buck, Canadian Communist Party (CP) leader. It is noted that this information had been furnished by Mascolo upon the instructions of Buck following his return from an extended trip to Moscow and China. The data primarily concerned international relations between the CPUSA and the Soviet Union. The substance of this information was disseminated to the White House and Attorney General by memorandum 2-17-58 under a "Top Secret" classification.

Among the data furnished to our informants by Mascolo was the address, [redacted] which was to be utilized by the CPUSA when it desired to send material to the Soviet Union through Tim Buck.

While the above address would undoubtedly be of interest to Canadian authorities, analysis of this matter reflects that certain factors must be taken into consideration. Since this address is to be utilized as a mail drop between the CPUSA and the Soviet Union, correspondence which would be directed to that address will undoubtedly pertain to activities of the CPUSA and will, therefore, be of far greater interest to the FBI than to Canadian authorities.

In addition, it is noted that when CG 5824-S relayed this information to Eugene Dennis, he told the informant to handle this correspondence between the CPUSA and the Soviet Union, obviously attempting to avoid any direct communications between himself and the Soviet Union. In this regard, we must bear in mind that our major objective in this over-all matter is to get CG 5824-S established as the courier between the CPUSA and the Soviet Union. No action should be taken which could in any way jeopardize this highly delicate and important operation.

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RECOMMENDATION:

In view of the above together with the fact that this Canadian address is known to an extremely limited number of people, it is not believed desirable that this address be furnished to Canadian authorities at this time. If and when the courier operation concerning CG 5824-S has been successfully established, we can then give further consideration to furnishing this information to Canadian authorities.

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 FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-33735)
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Re Bureau airtel dated 12/30/57.

CG 5824-S* was advised immediately upon receipt by the Chicago Division of information received by NY 694-S* that TIM BUCK would not return from abroad until "after the end of January".

The first reaction of CG 5824-S* to this information was that possibly the Russians desired to have a representative of the Communist Party - USA in Russia while BUCK was still there so that joint discussions could be carried on between the Labor Progressive Party, the Communist Party of the Soviet Union and the Communist Party - USA. CG 5824-S* is of the opinion that this might explain the reference to a two-week period which was not clear in the original information received through LESLIE MORRIS.

It is noted that CG 5824-S* had transmitted the original information to EUGENE DENNIS and had personal discussions with DENNIS on this matter both in New York City and in Chicago. At that time, it was the decision of DENNIS that CG 5824-S* should wait until after BUCK's return to Canada and then go to Canada to discuss this matter with BUCK.

- 3 - Bureau
- 2 - New York (Info)
 - (1 - 100-86624) (CP-USA, International Relations) (#19-1)
 - (1 - A/134-91) (NY 694-S*) (#6) (P & C)
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CG 5824-S* stated that the information that BUCK would not return to Canada until after the end of January, 1958, should have been conveyed to DENNIS in order to determine whether this information might in any way alter the decision made by DENNIS. However, this information could only be given to DENNIS by CG 5824-S* personally. CG 5824-S* felt that NY 694-S* could not personally contact DENNIS because of the POTASH case. CG 5824-S* believes that a matter such as this could only be given to DENNIS by personal contact with him. Outside of NY 694-S*, no other person should be involved in any way.

However, when this information was received, CG 5824-S* could not get to New York City much before the National Executive Committee meeting which was scheduled to start on 12/20/57. CG 5824-S* believed that DENNIS would be so busy preparing for and participating in this meeting that the informant might not be able to discuss this matter with DENNIS. Furthermore, CG 5824-S* felt that for security reasons it would be well for him to remain out of New York City during this particular NEC meeting, since it was known that a showdown between the Right wing and the Left wing might occur at this meeting.

As the Bureau is aware, the decision to cease publication of the "Daily Worker", the statement of JOHN GATES to the "New York Times", the opposing views on the declaration of the twelve CPs, etc., has brought the factional fight in the CP-USA to a head. CG 5824-S* further felt that he should avoid making a trip to New York City immediately following the NEC meeting in an effort to avoid the necessity of fully committing himself to either the Left wing or the Right wing. While CG 5824-S* and the Chicago Division have reached the conclusion that CG 5824-S* should be aligned with the Left wing, or that faction which will have ties with the CPSU, CG 5824-S* feels that he should avoid antagonizing anyone in the leadership as long as it is at all possible. Furthermore, CG 5824-S* is not anxious to go to Russia unless he can go as the representative of the CP-USA and not as the representative of one or a few individuals in the leadership. Also, it would be dangerous to go as the representative of the Left wing before the results of the fight between the Left wing and the Right wing are known. Of course, the Right wing

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is not anxious to have contact between the CP-USA and the CPSU.

CG 5824-S* stated on 1/2/58 that he is now of the opinion that he cannot delay a trip to New York City much longer, even though the factional struggle continues on such a high level. Therefore, health permitting, he plans to go to New York City sometime during the week of 1/5/58 to see EUGENE DENNIS. At this time, he would suggest to DENNIS that he make a trip to Canada, even though BUCK has not returned from Russia. The purpose of the informant's trip to Canada would be three-fold:

(1) To inform the LPP of all current developments in the CP-USA, the reason for the cessation of publication of the "Daily Worker", etc. CG 5824-S* believes that the LPP would convey this information to the CPSU and the current factional struggle within the CP-USA would explain to the CPSU why the CP-USA did not immediately send a representative to the CPSU.

(2) To attempt to obtain from the Russian Embassy in Canada, through the LPP, any information which would clarify the original message.

(3) To arrange to be notified as soon as BUCK returns to Canada so that a meeting with BUCK could be planned prior to the time BUCK becomes involved in reporting the results of his trip to the leading committees of the LPP.

CG 5824-S* further stated that he should make a trip to New York City soon, in any event, to maintain the pretext that he has to make periodic trips to New York City in connection with the business of NY 694-S*.

The Bureau will be advised of any pertinent developments in this matter and will be advised when CG 5824-S* plans to leave Chicago for New York City.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-81)
FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-33729)
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Re previous teletypes and airtels reflecting that NY 694-S* had received a message from LESLIE MORRIS, acting Secretary of the Labor Progressive Party of Canada in the absence of TIM BUCK, that the Russians are most happy and glad to make contact with CG 5824-S* and EUGENE DENNIS and are awaiting proposals from the states in regard to contact.

CG 5824-S* orally advised SA JOHN E. KEATING on 1/14/58 that he had conferred with LESLIE MORRIS and BILL KASHTAN, members of the Secretariat of the Labor Progressive Party, on Tuesday, 1/7/58, in Toronto, Canada. Full details of this meeting will be submitted in a separate communication.

MORRIS and KASHTAN stated that they had been informed in a general way by TIM BUCK, before he left Canada for Moscow, that the possibility of a meeting between a representative or representatives of the Communist Party - USA and the Communist Party of the Soviet Union had been discussed by BUCK and

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- 3 - New York (AIR MAIL) (REGISTERED)
 - (1 - 100-86624) (CP-USA, International Relations) (#19-1)
 - (1 - 100-8057) (EUGENE DENNIS) (#19-1)
 - (1 - 134-91) (NY 694-S*) (#6) (P & C) (Info)
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CG 5824-S*. KASHTAN and MORRIS stated that they were puzzled by the text of the original message received from the Russian Ambassador to Canada. They stated that they did not know whether this message originated with the Russians or whether it was a verification by the Russians of a discussion they had had with TIM BUCK either in Canada or in Russia.

MORRIS and KASHTAN stated that inasmuch as no further word had been received from the Russians, they believed that no action should be taken in this regard until BUCK's return to Canada. They also agreed with the informant that no action should be taken until the present complicated situation within the Communist Party - USA is cleared up so that a representative of the Communist Party - USA could represent the majority viewpoint in the American Party.

MORRIS and KASHTAN stated that TIM BUCK is presently in Peking, China. They have received letters from him, and received a letter on 1/7/58. In this letter, BUCK stated that he had been invited to China by MAO-TSE-TUNG and could not avoid the trip to China. MORRIS and KASHTAN stated that they had cabled BUCK, urging him to return to Canada for a meeting of the National Committee of the Labor Progressive Party, and indicated to BUCK that the membership of the Labor Progressive Party might criticize him for being absent for so long a period. Meanwhile, BUCK had written the letter which was received on 1/7/58. In this letter, BUCK stated that he felt that it would be inhospitable if he did not stay in China until the end of February, and urged MORRIS and KASHTAN to go ahead with the meeting of the National Committee of the Labor Progressive Party.

KASHTAN and MORRIS stated that they felt that BUCK could explain to the Chinese that he had to return to Canada and that as a result of their cable they might receive word that he would return to Canada for a meeting of the National Committee before the end of January.

KASHTAN and MORRIS told CG 5824-S* that they would give him as soon as they knew when BUCK would return to _____.

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CG 5824-S* conveyed this information to EUGENE DENNIS
on 1/8/58.

The Bureau and New York will be advised of any pertinent developments in this matter.

IT IS SUGGESTED THAT THIS INFORMATION NOT BE DISSEMINATED OUTSIDE THE BUREAU, IN ORDER TO FULLY PROTECT THE INFORMANT.

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- 1 - Mr. Boardman
- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Branigan
- 1 - Records Section
- 1 - Mr. Thornton

SAC, Chicago

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Director, FBI (100-428091)

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In connection with our present project regarding the development of CG 5824-S* as a courier between the Communist Party (CP), USA, and the Soviet Union, it is noted that prior correspondence has been handled under the caption "CPUSA, International Relations, Internal Security - C." For reasons of economy and to facilitate the administrative handling of this project, you are instructed that henceforth all correspondence having a direct bearing on this specific operation should bear the caption "Solo, Internal Security - C" as set forth above.

The primary purpose of establishing a separate file for this operation is to have all pertinent material readily available and easily located in one separate file rather than having it interspersed throughout the file captioned "CPUSA, International Relations, Internal Security - C" as is now the case. In this regard, there you should exercise good judgment in utilizing instant caption in order to insure that this new file does not become cluttered up with extraneous material. Nothing should go into this new file which does not specifically pertain to this courier operation involving CG 5824-S*. Where appropriate, of course, copies of your communication should be designated for related files.

In view of the highly sensitive nature of this over-all matter, it should be afforded the most careful handling and details concerning it should be limited to those on a "need-to-know" basis.

2 - New York

NOTE ON YELLOW:

See memo¹¹⁰ Belmont to Boardman, 3-5-58, captioned "CPUSA, International Relations, IS-C" WCT:med.

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAC, CHICAGO 101700

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SOLO. IS - C. BUFILE 100-428091. RE CHICAGO LETTER MARCH 4, LAST, CAPTIONED QUOTE CG 5824-S UNQUOTE. THE CHICAGO INFORMANT ORALLY FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING INFO TO SA JOHN E. KEATING ON MARCH 8, LAST, DURING A DISCUSSION WITH EUGENE DENNIS ON THURSDAY AFTERNOON, MARCH 6, LAST, HE WAS FURNISHED WITH INFO FROM TIM BUCK THAT THE CPSU WANTS A REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE CP, USA, TO COME TO RUSSIA AS SOON AS IT CAN BE ARRANGED, THAT MORRIS CHILDS IS ACCEPTABLE TO THE CPSU AS SUCH A REPRESENTATIVE, AND THAT THE RUSSIANS HAD SUGGESTED POSSIBLE METHODS OF GETTING A REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE USA TO RUSSIA. THIS DISCUSSION WAS CARRIED ON ALMOST EXCLUSIVELY IN WRITING AND DENNIS DESTROYED EACH PAGE BEFORE USING ANOTHER ONE. DENNIS WAS OPPOSED TO THE TENTATIVE PLAN TO USE THE CP OF MEXICO IN ANY MANNER FOR TRAVEL, SINCE HE DOES NOT TRUST THE CP OF MEXICO. HE WAS ALSO OPPOSED TO THE USE OF BRAZIL FOR TRAVEL AND SAID THAT PASSPORTS AND VACCINATIONS ARE NEEDED TO TRAVEL TO BRAZIL JUST AS THEY ARE REQUIRED FOR TRAVEL TO MOST COUNTRIES. DENNIS STATED MOE MILLER HAD USED THIS METHOD TO GO TO RUSSIA AND IT WAS NOT SATISFACTORY. DENNIS POINTED OUT THERE ARE DANGERS INVOLVED IN ATTEMPTING TO OBTAIN A U.S. PASSPORT AND HE DOES NOT WANT TO KNOW ANY DETAILS CONCERNING THE ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN SUCH A PASSPORT. HE DID SUGGEST IT MIGHT BE WELL TO ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN

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TO: MR. BELMONT
FROM: INTEL. DIVISION

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A PASSPORT DURING THE HEIGHT OF THE VACATION PERIOD. HE WAS REMINDED THAT THE RUSSIANS HAD INSTRUCTED TIM BUCK NOT TO GO TO HUNGARY AND NOT TO STOP OVER IN ENGLAND SO THAT HE COULD RETURN TO CANADA AND DELIVER THE MESSAGE THAT THE RUSSIANS WANT TO SEE SOMEONE FROM THE CP, USA, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. THEN DENNIS STATED THAT IF ANYTHING HAPPENED IN REGARD TO THIS PROPOSED TRIP, THE CP, USA, WOULD HAVE TO QUOTE "DISOWN UNQUOTE ANYONE CONNECTED WITH IT AND THAT IT MIGHT BE NECESSARY FOR CHILDS TO QUOTE "LAY LOW UNQUOTE FOR A TIME AFTER RETURNING FROM SUCH A TRIP. WHILE DENNIS DID NOT WANT TO KNOW ANY DETAILS RE A PASSPORT FOR THIS TRIP, HE GAVE PERMISSION FOR CHILDS TO ATTEMPT TO MAKE PLANS FOR SUCH A TRIP. HE ALSO INDICATED THAT DESPITE THE DIFFICULTIES, HE IS ANXIOUS FOR CHILDS TO MAKE THIS TRIP. DENNIS ASKED IF TIM BUCK HAD DISCUSSED THIS TRIP WITH ANY OF THE LEADING MEMBERS OF THE LPP*. HE WAS TOLD THAT IT IS NOT BELIEVED THAT BUCK HAS DISCUSSED IT WITH ANYONE. DENNIS WAS ASKED IF HE HAD OR WOULD DISCUSS THIS TRIP WITH ANYONE. HE SAID HE HAD DISCUSSED IT WITH NO ONE AND DEPENDING ON WHAT HAPPENS TO CONTEMPT CHARGES AGAINST [REDACTED], HE MAY DISCUSS IT WITH [REDACTED]. THE ONLY OTHER PERSON HE MIGHT DISCUSS IT WITH WOULD BE GUS HALL. DENNIS WAS ASKED IF FUNDS COULD BE OBTAINED FROM THE RESERVE FUND IN THE FORM OF A 90 DAY LOAN IN ORDER TO PURCHASE TRANSPORTATION. THE PLAN WOULD BE TO GET THE USSR TO REPLACE THE BORROWED MONEY. DENNIS ASKED HOW MUCH WOULD BE NEEDED. HE WAS TOLD POSSIBLY ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS OR TWELVE HUNDRED DOLLARS. HE GAVE PERMISSION FOR SUCH A LOAN TO BE OBTAINED FROM ISADORE WOFSY, BUT STATED THAT WOFSY SHOULD NOT BE TOLD THE PURPOSE OF THE LOAN. ON MARCH 7, LAST, WOFSY SAID HE DID NOT HAVE THIS SUM AVAILABLE ON THAT DATE BUT HE SHOULD BE CONTACTED AGAIN FOR THIS LOAN. DENNIS HAD NO IMMEDIATE SUGGESTIONS FOR METHODS IN WHICH THE CPSU COULD PROVIDE FUNDS FOR THE CP, USA, IN SOME DISGUISED MANNER. THE

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CHICAGO INFORMANT COMMENTED THAT DENNIS DEFINITELY WANTS PERSONAL CONTACT BETWEEN THE CP, USA, AND THE CPSU, ALTHOUGH HE DOES NOT WANT TO HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH THE TECHNICALITIES INVOLVED. HE IS TAKING THIS PRECAUTION SO THAT IF ANYTHING GOES WRONG, THE RISK WILL BE MINIMIZED NOT ONLY AS FAR AS HE IS PERSONALLY CONCERNED, BUT AS FAR AS THE CP LEADERSHIP AND THE ENTIRE CP, USA, IS CONCERNED. THIS IS NOT A NEW TECHNIQUE. THE POLITICAL LEADERSHIP OF THE CP, USA, HAS ALWAYS OPERATED IN THIS MANNER AND TRIED TO AVOID BECOMING INVOLVED IN ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES IT IS NOTED THAT SAM CARR HAS NEVER BEEN RETURNED TO THE LEADERSHIP OF THE LPP*, EVEN THOUGH HE BECAME INVOLVED IN THE CANADIAN ESPIONAGE CASE ON PARTY INSTRUCTIONS. IT IS THE OPINION OF CHICAGO INFORMANT THAT PREPARATIONS FOR THIS PROPOSED TRIP BE MADE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WITH ALL NECESSARY PRECAUTIONS BEING TAKEN. CHICAGO INFORMANT ALSO BELIEVES THAT TIM BUCK, WHO IS DUE TO RETURN TO TORONTO ON MARCH 14, NEXT, FROM A TOUR TO WESTERN CANADA, SHOULD BE ADVISED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE THAT DENNIS IS OPPOSED TO THE USE OF THE CP OF MEXICO AND/OR THE CP OF BRAZIL FOR SUCH A TRIP AND THAT EFFORTS WILL BE MADE TO OBTAIN A U.S. PASSPORT USING ANOTHER NAME. CHICAGO INFORMANT ALSO BELIEVES THAT IF AN ATTEMPT IS MADE TO OBTAIN A US PASSPORT IN ANOTHER NAME, THOSE INVOLVED SHOULD BE GIVEN ASSURANCES THAT NO LEGAL ACTION WILL RESULT IF THIS EFFORT FAILS. THE CHICAGO DIVISION BELIEVES THAT WITH NECESSARY PRECAUTIONS, PLANS TO ACCOMPLISH THIS MISSION SHOULD NOW PROCEED AS SPEEDILY AS POSSIBLE, STARTING WITH THE RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED IN RE CG LET. IT IS ALSO BELIEVED THAT THE DESIRE OF DENNIS TO BE IGNORANT OF ALL TECHNICALITIES CAN BE USED TO ADVANTAGE AS FAR AS OBTAINING A PASSPORT AND AS FAR AS THE SUCCESS OF THIS MISSION, FROM AN INTELLIGENCE VIEWPOINT, IS CONCERNED.

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TO : MR. J. A. SIZOO *JAS*

FROM : MR. A. H. BELMONT *AHB*

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Re attached memo of March 10 in this matter, I called SAC Auerbach, Chicago, on the afternoon of March 11 and advised him in accordance with the action set forth in referenced memorandum. Auerbach said that 5824-S feels he should consult with 694-S as to the procedures in obtaining a passport for travel to Russia, et cetera inasmuch as 694-S has had experience in the past in operating as a courier. 5824-S feels it is imperative he talk to 694-S promptly in Chicago and thereafter consideration be given to having 694-S go to Canada to advise Tim Buck 5824-S is arranging to take a trip abroad. Auerbach wanted authority to contact New York to get 694-S to Chicago and pay any necessary travel expenses therewith. I authorized him to do this.

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Relative to 694-S going to Canada, I told Auerbach this should be carefully considered because we do not want to make any ill-considered or false move; that everything the informants have done has been cleared through the Party. Therefore, we should be sure that any moves by the informant follow the pattern of Party activity. Auerbach said this would be carefully considered.

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cc - Mr. Belmont
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TO : MR. L. V. BOARDMAN *LB* 2/17/58

DATE: March 10, 1958

FROM : MR. A. H. BELMONT

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Solo is the code name utilized to handle all correspondence having a direct bearing on the development of CG 5824-S as liaison between the Communist Party (CP), USA, and the Soviet Union.

Reference is made to my memorandum to you of 3-5-58 in which I advised that SAC Auerbach, Chicago Office, had called me and said that he was sending in a letter analyzing the problems that will be faced in working out the trip of CG 5824-S to the Soviet Union as a liaison between the CPUSA and the Soviet Union. The letter to which SAC Auerbach referred has now been received under date of 3-4-58.

Analysis of this letter reflects that two basic problems are involved. In considering the various methods by which our informant could travel to the Soviet Union, the Chicago Office has arrived at the conclusion, and we agree, that the most logical method is to have informant obtain a passport under the name of his cousin who has been dead for two years. Chicago requested that we check with State Department relative to passport procedures in order to ascertain if this action is feasible. If it is ascertained feasible, then Chicago will proceed to obtain necessary background information of informant's dead cousin and be certain that all necessary documents and papers are in order.*

It has been determined through our liaison representative that in applying for a passport, it is necessary for the applicant to submit his application accompanied by two photographs, necessary birth certificate and \$10 application fee. State Department then will check its indices and, if no information is contained therein, will automatically issue the passport. No further check is made unless State Department files contain derogatory information, in which case additional inquiry such as request for FBI name check will be conducted.

While the utilization of the above procedure by informant would constitute a violation of passport laws of this country, the value of this operation and intelligence to be gained certainly makes this procedure a worthwhile undertaking and the Bureau's position could be

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- 100-428091
- 1 - 61-5665 (CG 5824-S)
- 1 - Mr. Boardman
- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Donohue
- 1 - Mr. Thornton

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*SAC Auerbach called me this afternoon (3-10-58) and advised that informant's dead cousin has a living wife and three children and assumption of his identity by our informant for passport purposes is out of the question. Chicago will supplant identity of dead cousin with identity of some suitable person.

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Memorandum to Mr. Boardman
RE: SOLO
100-428091

fully justified if such action became necessary in the future. As a matter of fact, it is felt that the Bureau could be the subject of justifiable criticism if we failed to take full advantage of this opportunity. In view of the security which must be afforded our informant, we should not take anyone outside the Bureau into our confidence.

The second problem posed by Chicago letter of 3-4-58 concerns Chicago's recommendation that I personally meet with CG 5824-S in the immediate future. Chicago Office pointed out that the informant is perfectly willing to undertake this operation if the long-range importance of this assignment is fully recognized and the information gathered is not utilized by top Government officials outside the Bureau for "political expediency." Chicago Office believed it essential that we put our best foot forward and that our over-all policy viewpoint be presented to the informant by a person of the stature of an Assistant Director of the FBI and who has over-all knowledge of Bureau policy and procedures.

In analyzing Chicago's recommendation in this regard, it appears that Chicago Office feels the informant needs to be reassured that the Bureau will look upon this operation as a long-range proposition and will not attempt to capitalize upon it immediately. The informant may be thinking of the Irving Potash arrest which shook informant's confidence regarding the security of his brother, NY 694-S, as well as himself. Obviously, the Bureau will continue this operation on a long-range intelligence basis and we would certainly take no risk to expose the operation merely to take credit for our coverage of this liaison between the CPUSA and the Soviet Union. This could be pointed out to SAC Auerbach although he should be told for his own information that obviously the Bureau cannot make a firm commitment to the informant. He should stress to the informant, however, that the Bureau regards this operation as one of the greatest value. Since SAC Auerbach can put across this thinking to the informant, there appears to be no reason for my going to Chicago for personal contact with this informant.

Memorandum to Mr. Boardman
RE: SOLO
100-428091

In considering this matter, it must be taken into consideration that there is a definite advantage in keeping this operation on a field level. The informant has been successfully controlled on a field level so far and it appears to be advantageous to the Bureau to continue in this manner. It should be noted, too, that the control of the informant by the Chicago Office could be considerably weakened should I or some other Bureau official have personal contact with him in this matter since the informant would undoubtedly want to take up any future problems with Bureau officials rather than with the Chicago Office.

ACTION:

In accord with the above, it is recommended that I telephonically advise SAC Auerbach concerning State Department passport procedures and instruct SAC Auerbach to obtain the necessary background information concerning the individual whose identity the informant will utilize and to be certain that pertinent documents and papers are in order. It should also be pointed out to SAC Auerbach that the background of the individual whose identity is selected should be of such a nature that it will warrant the granting of a passport.

With regard to SAC Auerbach's request for my coming to Chicago for personal contact with the informant, it should be pointed out to SAC Auerbach that the Bureau obviously regards this operation as one of the greatest importance and will continue it on a long-range intelligence basis. Further that no risk would be taken by the Bureau to expose this operation merely to take credit for establishing coverage of the liaison between the CPUSA and the Soviet Union. He should be further advised that while the Bureau cannot commit itself to the informant along these lines, it should be stressed to the informant that the Bureau does look upon this proposition as one of extreme value. SAC Auerbach should be advised that the Bureau feels that he can successfully convey this thinking to the informant and, therefore, it is not deemed desirable or necessary that I personally contact the informant.

Upon approval, I will immediately call SAC Auerbach in accord with the above.

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Reurtel 3-10-58 concerning conversation between Eugene Dennis and CG 5824-S*.

Captioned matter appears to be progressing most favorably and informant's trip to Russia is being rapidly finalized.

In order to avoid last-minute complications, it is felt we should at this time give attention as to what we hope to gain from this operation. First and foremost, of course, is the security of our informant. In this regard, it can be expected that informant will be subject to stringent security measures by Russians including physical search of his room and belongings. Informant should be cautioned to be sure that he has nothing in his possession including unusual amount of money which could possibly arouse suspicion of Soviets.

Regarding intelligence data which we could hope to obtain, informant should be briefed to be alert for information pertaining to such matters as (1) manner in which Soviet Union directs and controls other communist parties throughout world, particularly the Communist Party, USA, and communist parties in other countries in Western Hemisphere. Identity of responsible officials should be obtained if possible. (2) Any indications regarding Soviet plans for future aggression either against United States or in other parts of world. (3) General intelligence data which he may acquire through conversations with Soviet officials and which would not be normally available to our embassy officials in Russia.

Informant should be further advised that if at any time possible, we will want to see him upon his return to see he contacts Dennis or other Party officials.

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You should afford this matter the close and alert supervision which it has been receiving to date. Problems regarding this matter should be anticipated and you should continue to resolve them locally if at all possible. Where necessary, Bureau should, of course, be advised promptly in order that due consideration can be given to solution of any such problems.

Bureau should be kept informed on current basis regarding over-all progress of this operation.

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For record purposes and ready reference, there are set forth hereinafter details relative to the establishment of CG 5824-S*, our most highly placed informant, as liaison between the Communist Party (CP), USA, and the Soviet Union.

BACKGROUND

In recent years, there has been no direct liaison between the CPUSA and the Soviet Union due to such factors as passport restrictions in this country and other security measures in effect. In addition, the CPUSA has been fearful that such liaison would be detrimental to the Party's current appeal to the decision of the Subversive Activities Control Board that it is a communist action organization pursuant to the provisions of the Internal Security Act of 1950. Instructions and guidance from Moscow have, of course, continued to flow through such media as Soviet publications and public statements of Russian leaders.

In addition, the Labor Progressive Party (CP of Canada) has been utilized as a means of transmitting information and instructions between the CPUSA and the Soviet Union. In this regard, Canadian regulations apparently do not preclude the issuance of passports to active communists and about three or four times a year delegations of Canadian communist functionaries proceed to Moscow for consultation with Soviet officials. On the occasion of each such trip to Moscow, the Canadians send word to the CPUSA in the event the CPUSA desires to transmit any information or documents to the Soviets. Upon the return of the Canadian delegations, once again the CPUSA is notified and furnished any Soviet instructions. Our coverage of this operation has been extremely good inasmuch as NY 694-S*, a brother of CG 5824-S*, is utilized as the courier between the CPUSA and the Canadians.

During November, 1954, NY 694-S* was in contact with [redacted] of the Canadian CP, who had recently returned from a trip to Russia. [redacted] stated that while in Russia he learned that there was a particular group within the Central

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Committee of the CP of the Soviet Union (CPSU) known as the International Department which handles liaison with communist parties in foreign countries. According to [redacted], the International Department was headed by a member of the Central Committee and consisted of 25 other members, each of whom had exclusive authority over a particular country. (65-62041-123)

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Through the above operation, we received information concerning a trip of Canadian communists to Russia in the Summer of 1955. Upon the return of this delegation, NY 694-S* proceeded to Toronto where he consulted with the Canadians from 8/8 to 16/55. He was told that John Williamson, former member of the national committee, CPUSA, who accepted voluntary deportation to Great Britain on 5/4/55 following completion of his sentence for violation of the Smith Act, had proceeded to Moscow where he reported to the Central Committee of the CPSU regarding the status of the CPUSA. Williamson reportedly had a personal interview with Mikhail Suslov, who was described as a member of the CPSU Secretariat in charge of the International Department. Suslov was generally critical of the programs of the CPUSA but promised that he would assist the CPUSA in every way possible. He instructed Williamson to return to London where he was to serve as a "listening post" and act as liaison between the Soviets and the CPUSA.

Williamson followed the above instructions and has since been utilized on various occasions to convey instructions and guidance from Moscow to the American CP.

Soviets Desire Closer Contact

Although this arrangement continued with some degree of effectiveness, information was subsequently received that in August, 1956, an official delegation of the Canadian CP went to Moscow at the invitation of the Soviets and held lengthy conferences with Nikita Khrushchev and other members of the Central Committee of the CPSU. Upon the return of the Canadian delegation, both CG 5824-S* and NY 694-S* proceeded to Canada and discussed the trip with the Canadians. According to our informants, the Russians indicated to the Canadians that they were not being kept fully and currently apprised of the situation as it existed in the CPUSA. The Russians stated they would like to have one of the leaders of the American CP come to Moscow if possible and if this was out of the question the Russians would like to improve the communications system between the Soviet Union and the CPUSA. (100-3-81-7502)

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Dennis Concurs That Closer Contact Needed

On 10/2/56, CG 5824-S* reported to Eugene Dennis on the trip of the Canadian delegation to Russia. Dennis did not make any comment regarding the information that the Russians wanted him or some other leading member of the CPUSA to come to Moscow for discussions. He merely smiled and remained silent. At this same time, while discussing John Williamson, Dennis stated that Williamson continues to say that his stay in England is only temporary and that he would like to represent the American CP on the international scene. Dennis stated that he thought this was ridiculous and asked how can Williamson who is separated from the American scene represent the CPUSA. Dennis continued that it was necessary to consider the possibility of working out some other means of international communication even though Williamson may still be talking in the name of the CPUSA. He cautioned our informant not to furnish this information to other members of the national leadership under any circumstances. (100-3-69-2519)

Development of CG 5824-S* as Potential Courier

Since it was now apparent that both the Soviet officials in Russia and Party officials in this country were dissatisfied with the system of communications between the Soviet Union and the CPUSA, this matter was carefully analyzed by the Internal Security Section at the Seat of Government to determine if there was some manner in which we could capitalize upon this situation. In order to fully explore this matter, all field offices were advised by letter dated 11/2/56 to give it close attention. Specifically, they were instructed (1) to carefully review all current informants, particularly those on relatively high Party levels, and (2) to consider businessmen and other individuals who periodically go to Russia on legitimate business. Upon the receipt of the results of our survey of the various field offices, it was determined by the Internal Security Section that the most productive and desirable development from our point of view would be to guide one of our informants into the position of being selected by the CPUSA as a courier between the Party in this country and the Soviet Union. Analysis of this over-all matter indicated that CG 5824-S* undoubtedly represented our best potential in this regard in view of his background and his favorable associations with the leading Party functionaries. Our efforts were immediately concentrated on guiding this informant to the point where he would be designated as this courier.

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CG 5824-S* Represents CPUSA in Canada and Mexico

A major step in the attainment of our objective developed when CG 5824-S* maneuvered himself into being selected on 4/21/57 by the Party's national headquarters to go to Canada, meet with the new national committee of the Canadian CP as the official representative from the CPUSA, and report to the national committee of the CPUSA upon his return. (100-3-81-7805)

CG 5824-S* proceeded immediately to Canada on 4/22/57 where he conferred with various communist functionaries. Tim Buck, general secretary of the Canadian CP, told our informant that the CPUSA was in the doghouse as far as the international communist movement was concerned. He also stated that the CPSU wanted a leading member of the CPUSA to proceed to Russia to discuss the activities of the CPUSA. During this conversation, Buck stated that if the CPUSA representative could go to Mexico for one month, he could be transported to Russia regardless of passport difficulties.

During this same trip to Canada, CG 5824-S* had a conversation with one Valdez, a representative of the Mexican CP who was in Canada to attend a national convention of the Canadian CP. Valdez, through our informant, invited the CPUSA to send a representative to attend a meeting of the Central Committee of the Mexican CP on 5/11/57. During this same conversation, our informant arranged for all communications between the CPUSA and the CP of Mexico to pass through him. (65-62041-292)

Upon his return to this country, CG 5824-S* met with Eugene Dennis on 4/30/57, at which time he furnished the results of his Canadian trip. At this time, Dennis ruled out any possibility that he himself would meet with representatives of the CPSU outside of the United States. When our informant mentioned the invitation from the CP of Mexico, Dennis urged our informant to go as the representative of the CPUSA. (100-3-81-7832)

As requested by Dennis, CG 5824-S* proceeded to Mexico where he met with four leading functionaries of the Mexican CP on 5/15/57. After briefing them on the situation within the CPUSA, informant was in turn furnished a report on the status of the Mexican CP and other communist parties in Latin and South America. (100-3-81-7849)

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CG 5824-S* Appointed to Foreign Affairs Committee

Upon his return to this country, informant was requested to attend a meeting of the national executive committee on 6/22 and 23/57 where he reported on his Mexican trip. At this meeting, Dennis announced the formation of a foreign affairs committee headed by himself and including our informant as one of the members. (100-3-69-4441) In this regard, it is noted that Dennis had previously advised the informant that as soon as the Party's national office was organized he was going to suggest the establishing of a special committee on foreign affairs which, among other things, would deal with political problems such as the activities of communist parties in other countries. (100-3-81-7819)

Following the above meeting, the informant conferred with Sid Stein and Claude Lightfoot on 6/25/57. Stein stated that he, Lightfoot and Dennis had recommended that the informant become coordinator of international affairs for the CPUSA, although this position would not be given any publicity. During this discussion it was agreed that the informant would go to Canada to give the Canadians a report on his Mexican trip and also obtain information regarding the current situation within the Canadian CP, following which he would report back to the foreign affairs committee or possibly to the national executive committee. (100-3-81-7883)

Informant proceeded to Canada and met with Tim Buck in Toronto on 7/3 and 4/57. He told Buck that he had been selected as a member of the foreign affairs committee of the CPUSA and was also under consideration for the position of international secretary to coordinate contacts between the CPUSA and other communist parties. Buck indicated that he was pleased that the informant had been chosen for this position and advised that if the informant needed any help in communicating with Moscow or in establishing a more efficient method of communicating with Moscow, he would be glad to help.

Informant told Buck that he had discussed with Dennis, Stein and Fred Fine the need to establish direct contact with the CPSU in Moscow. He also told Buck that he had conveyed to the afore-mentioned individuals the information that Buck had given the informant to the effect that the CPSU would like to speak to a representative of the

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CPUSA in Russia. Informant advised Buck that he expected a decision to be made on this matter by the CPUSA in the near future. He continued that the big problem would be travel papers. Buck indicated he understood and suggested that everything possible should be done to get travel papers from the United States and he could then more efficiently arrange for transportation from Canada to Europe so there would be no problem of being stopped. Buck advised the informant that he would communicate with Russia to inform them that someone from the United States would be traveling to Russia. (100-3-81-7896)

CG 5824-S* Selected as CPUSA Liaison With Moscow

Upon his return, the informant furnished the results of his trip to Stein and Dennis in New York City on 7/11/57. (100-3-81-7905) Subsequently on 7/29/57, Dennis and the informant discussed the matter of re-establishing contact with the Soviet Union in order to give the Russians a picture of the inner situation in the CPUSA. Dennis stated he thought that the CPUSA should start rebuilding these connections and that it would be a very good idea if the informant gave consideration to the thought of taking a trip to Russia. Dennis further instructed the informant to make another trip to Canada to get facts and material on the situation in the Canadian CP and then make a report to the next national executive committee meeting scheduled for 9/14 and 15/57. (100-3-81-7922)

Informant proceeded to Canada where he attended a meeting of the national committee of the Canadian CP from 8/31/57 to 9/2/57. He met with Tim Buck on 9/3/57 and discussed the possibility of a CPUSA representative going to Moscow. Buck told the informant he would get word to the Russians that the CPUSA wanted to send someone to Moscow. Buck pointed out that the representative would have to be someone acceptable to the Russians. The informant then stated that Dennis had suggested that the informant be this representative to which Buck replied there should be no question about the Russians accepting the informant as the CPUSA representative. (100-3-81-7966)

Upon reporting back to Dennis on 9/16/57, Dennis told our informant he was of the opinion that this might be an inopportune time for the CPUSA to send anyone to Russia. He pointed out the

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technical difficulties involved and also stated that no leading comrade would want to get involved in a passport fraud or some similar matter. He continued that he was thinking of an alternate plan of having John Williamson come to Canada where he would meet with a delegation from the CPUSA and be briefed on the situation within the CPUSA. Williamson would then go to Russia, present the facts to the Russians and obtain a clarification of policy. (100-3-81-7977)

Soviets Accept CG 5824-S* as CPUSA Liaison

On 11/12/57, Dennis advised informant that he was relying upon him to see Tim Buck as soon as possible following Buck's return from Moscow. It is noted that Buck had left for Russia around 11/5/57 and was supposed to be gone for a month to six weeks. (100-3-81-8025)

On 11/25/57, NY 694-S*, who had just returned from Canada on another matter, met CG 5824-S* in Chicago with information of great importance. While in Canada, NY 694-S* was advised by Leslie Morris, acting general secretary of the Canadian CP in the absence of Buck, that Morris had been called to Ottawa by the Soviet Ambassador who advised that the Russians would be most happy to meet with CG 5824-S* and Dennis and were waiting for proposals from the states concerning this contact and "how soon." (100-3-81-8038)

CG 5824-S* discussed the above information with Dennis on 12/4/57 and again on 12/10/57. Dennis indicated that he was anxious to have the CPUSA make personal contact with the Soviet Union and realized that it should be done as soon as possible. He again instructed the informant to go to Canada as soon as Buck returned from Russia and obtain all information Buck had concerning this contact. In discussing the possible trip of informant to Moscow, Dennis said that he thought the informant should go alone although he, Dennis, was considering taking at least one other person from the left wing in his confidence so that the informant would be making the trip as a representative of the CPUSA and not as the personal representative of Dennis. (100-3-81-8054)

On 12/16/57, NY 694-S* received word from the Canadians that Buck would not return from abroad until after the end of January. Upon receiving this information, CG 5824-S* decided to contact Dennis

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and suggest that even though Buck had not returned, the informant should go to Canada to attempt to obtain from the Russian Embassy, through the Canadian CP, any information which would clarify the original message from the Russians and also to make arrangements to be notified immediately upon Buck's return. (100-3-81-8063)

On 1/7/58, the informant proceeded to Canada where he conferred with Leslie Morris and Bill Kashtan, both members of the Secretariat of the Canadian CP. They were unable to furnish any additional information regarding the message from the Russian Embassy and recommended no further action until Buck returned. They further stated they would immediately notify informant as soon as Buck did return to Canada. Informant conveyed this information to Dennis on 1/8/58. (100-3-81-8075)

Soviets Desire Immediate Contact

On 2/14/58, Elizabeth Mascolo, common-law wife of Tim Buck, arrived unannounced at the office of NY 694-S* in New York City. She told him that Buck had returned to Canada on 2/12/58 and instructed her to proceed immediately to New York City with messages for personal delivery to Eugene Dennis, Alexander Trachtenberg, and William Z. Foster. NY 694-S* immediately contacted CG 5824-S* at the national headquarters of the CPUSA and had him come to the office of NY 694-S* to talk with Mascolo. Upon learning that Mascolo had a message for Dennis, CG 5824-S* returned to the Party's national headquarters and contacted Dennis who was attending a meeting of the national executive committee. Dennis advised the informant that he was involved in this meeting and told the informant to obtain the message from Mascolo.

Mascolo furnished the informant with the following information from Buck. The Central Committee of the CPSU welcomed the proposal that a representative of the CPUSA come to Moscow for conferences with the CPSU. The American Section of the International Department of the Central Committee of the CPSU urged that this proposal be carried through as soon as possible. Arrangements for travel should be handled with American passports and other papers, if possible. If this was not possible, the CP of Brazil would give assistance in this regard and, if such assistance was needed, Buck should be contacted for details.

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Mascolo further advised that Moscow would like to have two copies of all material pertaining to the last meeting of the national committee of the CPUSA. This material was to be sent to Russia via Canada and Tim Buck. In addition, the CP of China, according to Mascolo, wanted an "active relationship" directly with the CPUSA through Dennis.

She further advised that William Z. Foster and his future were discussed with the highest authorities in Moscow and that Foster would be welcome to come to Russia whether for treatment or to visit permanently. The Russians would also welcome Foster's family and felt that it might be beneficial for Foster's granddaughter if Foster's family would accompany him to Russia.

In addition to the above, Mascolo advised that the Russian leaders would like to see more material on the Soviet Union printed in the CPUSA press, particularly "The Worker." The Russians would make arrangements to supply "The Worker" with a daily press service which would be transmitted to Canada and remailed to the CPUSA from there. Buck desired to know if this service should be mailed directly to the office of "The Worker" or to some other address. Mascolo continued that the Russians would like to have a correspondent of "The Worker" stationed in Moscow. Dennis was to be instructed, however, that if this was not expedient at this time the CPUSA should not worry about it. In the meantime, the "Canadian Tribune," Canadian CP publication, would send a correspondent who would also represent the CPUSA press from a news point of view.

Mascolo also advised that the American Section would like to obtain copies of all material presently being disseminated by the CPUSA. This American Section also wanted material in regard to labor and economic conditions in the United States. The CP of China also was desirous of obtaining the same type of material.

Mascolo stated that Dennis should be given the address [redacted] for the purpose of sending any correspondence to Tim Buck. If the CPUSA wanted to correspond directly with the CP of China, material should be sent to "G. You, Post Office Box 509, Peking, China." (100-3-81-8192)

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Dennis Urges Prompt Action

On 2/18/58, CG 5824-S* met with Dennis in New York City and gave him a report on the information obtained from Mascolo. Dennis was impressed and pleased with the possibility of a representative of the CPUSA going to Russia. He urged the informant to go to Canada as soon as possible to get additional details from Tim Buck so that the informant could go to Russia immediately. He also told the informant that now that the left wing had gained control of the CPUSA he would take one or two other persons into his confidence so that the informant would go to Russia officially as a representative of the CPUSA.

Dennis told the informant to be sure and explain the Party's situation to the Russians when he got over there. He then wrote a dollar sign on a piece of paper to which the informant replied: "Of course, I will." Informant noted that this is the first time Dennis has ever indicated to him that the CPUSA might be able to obtain funds from Russia.

Informant told Dennis that he did not want to rush into this trip since there were many personal and technical problems involved. He asked Dennis what he thought about the idea of applying for a passport to Russia on humanitarian grounds due to his or his wife's health. If such a passport could be obtained, then the informant could go to Russia legally. Dennis indicated that he thought this was a good idea but went into no further discussion about funds for the trip or any other technicalities. According to the informant, Dennis expected the informant to work out these details with Buck.

Dennis told the informant to mail two copies of all material issued in connection with the recent meeting of the national committee of the CPUSA to the addresses in Canada and China. Dennis did not retain these addresses and told the informant to maintain this correspondence between the CPUSA and the Soviet Union and also between the CPUSA and the CP of China.

Dennis made no comment concerning the proposal of the Russians to have a correspondent of "The Worker" stationed in Moscow. He likewise made no comment concerning the possibility of using a

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correspondent of the "Canadian Tribune" to represent the CPUSA in Moscow from a news standpoint. He also had no comment concerning an address for material from Russia for use in "The Worker," although he did ask whether this material would consist of public releases or if it would be inter-Party documents. (100-3-81-8115)

Discussion With Tim Buck Re Trip to Moscow

Pursuant to Dennis' request, informant proceeded to Canada where he met with Buck on 2/25 and 26/58. Buck advised informant that he had conveyed to the Russian leadership the information that CG 5824-S* had been selected as the CPUSA representative to go to Moscow. Buck continued that the informant was approved as a CPUSA representative by Michael Suslov, Otto Kuusinen, and one "Besideen" (phonetic). Buck stated that the Russians realized that it might be impossible for the CPUSA to send an official delegate to the Soviet Union and agreed to accept the informant as a personal representative of Eugene Dennis, whom they consider to be the real leader of the CPUSA.

Buck advised the informant that the top Soviet leaders were very anxious to talk with a member of the CPUSA. He said that they were hungry for firsthand news and a political interpretation of events in the CPUSA and in the United States.

Buck also stated that the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of China expressed a desire to see informant. This Chief Justice told Buck to tell the informant that he should go to the Chinese Embassy when he got to Moscow and arrangements would be made for him to be taken by jet plane to China even if he could spend no more than one week in China.

Buck then stated that he would send a letter to Russia by courier confirming the fact that the informant is to be the representative from the CPUSA to the CPSU. Buck continued that it was necessary to emphasize that the informant should make the trip to Russia as soon as possible because the leaders of the Soviet Union had stressed the urgency of seeing a CPUSA representative soon. Buck continued that the Russians would make provisions for the informant's wife if she accompanied him.

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Buck said that he discussed with the Russians the technical problems involved in this trip. He continued that he told them that even with an American passport a delegate from the CPUSA to the CPSU could not travel openly. The Russians told Buck that if the representative from the CPUSA could get to Brazil they would see that he got to London and then through the Baltics to Helsinki, Finland. From Finland the Russians would get him to Moscow. According to Buck, the Russians suggested Brazil because they thought that a person could go from the United States to Brazil without a passport. When they were told that a passport was needed for travel from the United States to Brazil, this upset all the plans which had been made. Buck stated that he still thought that the best bet would be for the informant to get an American passport, if possible. He even suggested the possibility of the use of the name of someone resembling the informant in an effort to get an American passport.

Buck stated that it might be possible for the informant to go to Russia with a Canadian passport but this would mean that the informant would have to live in Canada, then apply for a passport, and subsequently undergo an interview by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. Buck felt that there might be trouble in such a plan and that it would cause a long delay. He then mentioned that Mexico might be a possibility and stated he would see what he could find out about this. He commented that if the informant could go to Mexico, perhaps the Mexican CP could get him a passport.

Buck further stated that any bulky material, as opposed to letters, which the CPUSA wanted him to transmit to the CPSU should be addressed to "Progress Books, 924 King Street West, Toronto, Canada." Any material which the informant wanted sent to Russia for his own use upon arriving in Moscow should be addressed to "Progress Books Union," with the same Toronto address.

Buck also told the informant that if the CPUSA desired financial assistance from the CPSU the informant should be prepared to present proposals as to how this money might be supplied in an indirect manner; for example, royalties, et cetera. (100-3-81-8128)

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Report to Dennis Re Proposed Trip

Upon his return to this country, the informant contacted Dennis on 3/6/58 and furnished him with the information he had obtained from Buck. Dennis was opposed to the tentative plan to use the CP of Mexico in any manner for travel since he does not trust the Mexican CP. He was also opposed to the use of Brazil for travel and stated that a previous comrade had used this method to go to Russia and it was not satisfactory. Dennis pointed out that there were dangers involved in attempting to obtain a United States passport and that he did not want to know any details concerning the attempt to obtain such a passport. He continued that if anything happened in regard to this proposed trip the CPUSA would have to "disown" anyone connected with it and that it might be necessary for the informant to "lay low" for a time after returning from such a trip. He gave the informant permission to attempt to make his own plans for the trip and indicated that despite the difficulties involved he was anxious for the informant to make this trip.

Dennis advised the informant that he had discussed the proposed trip with no one but that, depending on what happened to the contempt charges against [redacted] he might discuss it with [redacted]. He continued that the only other person he might discuss it with would be Gus Hall.

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The informant asked Dennis if funds could be obtained from the reserve fund in the form of a 90-day loan to purchase the necessary transportation with the plan being to get the Russians to replace the borrowed money. Dennis gave the informant permission to obtain a loan of \$1000 or \$1200 from Isadore Wofsy but stated that Wofsy should not be told the purpose of the loan. It is noted Wofsy was contacted on 3/7/58 but did not have this sum available at that time. He requested informant to recontact him again for this loan.

Dennis had no immediate suggestions for methods in which the Russians could provide funds for the CPUSA in some disguised manner. (100-428091-4)

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Following the completion of his report to Dennis, the informant consulted with NY 694-S* on 3/13/58 as to the procedures in obtaining a passport for travel to Russia, et cetera, inasmuch as NY 694-S* has had experience in the past in operating as a courier. It was decided that the best way to proceed was to build up a background based on a completely fictitious person. Three names were selected for the informant, together with a name for his wife. The names selected for the informant were Martin A. Carson, Martin A. Cane, and Martin A. Camp. The name for his wife was to be Sylvia Soney Schlosser. After checking our files as well as causing a confidential check of State Department files, it was determined that the name Martin A. Camp was the most suitable for use in connection with this operation. (100-428091-5 and 6)

Buck's Suggested Travel Plans

NY 694-S* then proceeded to Canada on 3/14/58 for the purpose of advising Tim Buck that CG 5824-S* was going to make the trip; to stop any attempt Buck was making to get a passport in Mexico; to ascertain what countries the informant would pass through and how visas would be obtained; and to take up the question of reimbursement of funds on the premise that the informant would be getting funds for the trip from the CPUSA on a loan basis. (100-428091-6)

After receiving the informant's report concerning the feasibility of proceeding through Mexico or Brazil, Buck stated there was no way whereby he could make arrangements in Canada for the immediate departure of CG 5824-S*. Buck stated that he recently discussed the subject of departure points from Latin American countries with a Russian in Canada and the latter had informed him that the Soviets were then conducting an investigation of this matter in various Latin American countries. Buck advised that he felt the best point of departure for the informant would be New York City and that the informant should travel on an American passport. He estimated that the informant and his wife would need approximately \$1300 for the trip to Moscow. Buck advised that the Soviets definitely would reimburse the informant and stated that he was so certain of this that he was willing to give his personal guarantee to that effect.

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Buck advised that "floating visas" as well as the name and description of the contact who would meet the informant and his wife in Moscow could be obtained in England or in France. He strongly suggested, however, that these visas be obtained in London because the informant would avoid language difficulties in London and also because there is a direct flight from London to Moscow. Buck stated that he would notify the Soviets immediately of the status of the situation and would indicate the possibility that the informant might leave for Moscow soon. In that connection, he requested two weeks' notice of the informant's departure date so that a courier could convey this information to Moscow. He stated that the Soviets would require sufficient notice to allow them "to clear the way for visas in other countries."

Buck also stated that the informant should furnish him as soon as possible the names and numbers that would appear on the passports of the informant and his wife. He continued that he strongly advised that the informant go to Peking, China, for ten days and that the Soviets would have no objection to such a trip. (100-428091-7)

Information to be Furnished Soviets

CG 5824-S*, upon receiving the above information from NY 694-S*, proceeded to New York where he was to attend a meeting of the national executive committee on 3/28 and 29/58. Following this meeting, he met with Dennis on 3/31/58, at which time Dennis briefed the informant on recent developments within the CPUSA for the purpose of transmitting this information to the CPSU. Dennis stated that he had heard that Foster had two new articles which were then in Moscow. He said that the Russians should be told that Foster's articles are intolerable because they are causing divisions in the rank of the CPUSA and are also endangering the legality of the CPUSA. He told the informant that he should tell the Russians that even before he became ill the "old man" (Foster) was doctrinaire, rigid, and in recent discussions in the CPUSA he was actually engaging in factionalism. Dennis advised the informant that he was not going to tell Foster about the informant going to Russia and that he, Dennis, would take the responsibility if Foster found out about it.

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Dennis continued that the Russians should be told that there is a new round of attacks against the CPUSA and that some people would be tried concerning their membership in the Party. For this reason, spokesmen for the CPUSA have to be secure and careful.

The Russians were also to be told that in regard to the criticism of A. B. Magil in the "Kommunist," Soviet publication, some mistakes were made because the Russians were out of touch with the CPUSA. Dennis said that the Russians cannot investigate and thus do not know all the facts; therefore, they were just creating new problems for the CPUSA.

With regard to a representative from the CPUSA for the proposed international journal to be published in Prague, Czechoslovakia, Dennis stated that perhaps John Williamson could be the de facto representative for the CPUSA but he could not be the legal representative. He continued that Williamson might be able to supply information for this journal better than someone who was not acquainted with the United States. In this regard, Dennis discussed the possibility of Williamson making a trip from England to Canada about once a year where the informant could meet him and brief him on recent developments in the CPUSA thus permitting Williamson to act as the de facto representative for the CPUSA. When the informant asked Dennis if he should see Williamson on the way to Russia, Dennis stated it would be better to see Williamson on the return trip. If he would see Williamson he was to tell him that he was a careless correspondent and that he should know better than to write the type of letters and request the kind of answers that he has in his correspondence with Dennis.

When the informant asked Dennis if he should try to see Jaques Duclos in France, Dennis stated it would be best to try to see Duclos on the return trip. He also told the informant to find out what the CP of France is doing but not to tell them too much about the situation in the CPUSA.

Dennis told the informant to go to China from Russia and tell the Chinese that James Allen was concerning himself with the Chinese and that there was a subcommittee of people from Philadelphia and New York who were discussing the Chinese question and studying the Chinese situation.

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Dennis stated that it would be all right for the Soviet press material to be sent directly from Russia to "The Worker" provided the Russians sent the same material to a couple other papers in the United States. If the Russians planned to send this material only to "The Worker," then it was not to be mailed directly.

Dennis commented that the Russians made a terrible mistake in the manner in which they sent Irving Potash back to this country. He said that if it had not been for Jack Childs the CPUSA would have been in terrible shape for the Party had a narrow escape. Dennis said the Russians should be told that Potash came back to the United States at the wrong time.

Dennis told the informant that he should find out in Moscow and/or in Paris what happened when the French CP and the Central Committee of the CPSU discussed the Jewish question sometime after November, 1957.

When asked by the informant as to who would know that the informant was going to Moscow, Dennis replied that the informant would speak for the Secretariat. Dennis identified this Secretariat as consisting of himself, Robert Thompson, Jack Stachel, James Jackson, and Hyman Lumer. He continued that at least three of these people would know that the informant was going to Moscow. The only one who would not know would be Lumer. Dennis then stated that the informant would speak for the Secretariat and that he, Dennis, spoke for the Secretariat.

Dennis had no suggestions as to how the CPUSA might receive funds in a disguised manner from the Soviet Union. (100-428091-14)

On the afternoon of 4/7/58, SAC Auerbach called from Chicago to advise that the passport applications of the informant and his wife had been submitted to the Department of State on that day under the names of Sylvia Soney Camp and Martin A. Camp.

SAC Auerbach continued that while the informant was recently in New York, Lem Harris gave him a loan of \$1500 for this trip. This loan was made on the instructions of Dennis, who did not advise Harris as to the purpose of the loan. (100-428091-10)

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Final Travel Plans

On the afternoon of 4/14/58, SAC Auerbach advised that NY 694-S* had gone to Canada to confer with Tim Buck regarding the proposed trip. (100-428091-13) Upon his return from Canada on 4/15/58, NY 694-S* furnished the results of his discussions with Tim Buck. Buck was advised that the passports had been obtained and was furnished with the names and numbers thereon. Buck stated that he would go immediately to Ottawa to see the Russian Ambassador and furnish him with the names and numbers on these passports inasmuch as the Russian Ambassador was scheduled to leave Canada for Russia on either 4/15 or 16/58.

Buck stated that he still thought New York City was the best point of departure. He also stated that the best method for a person traveling as a businessman would be to go to London, from there to Brussels and then on the Sabina Airlines to Prague and then from Prague to Moscow.

Buck continued that the Russian Ambassador would make the necessary arrangements for the "floating visas." He continued that the informant and his wife should be in London by 4/25/58 where the informant's wife was to go to the Russian Consulate, see the receptionist, identify herself and request to see the consul. She would then be furnished a "floating visa" for Russia which would not be attached to the informant's passport, thus not reflecting that he had been in Russia.

Buck continued that the informant's wife would then go to the Czechoslovakian Consulate in London and secure a "floating visa" there for Prague. They should then leave London for Brussels via Paris on 4/26 or 27/58. They should leave Brussels immediately for Prague where they would be met by a ground hostess to whom they would identify themselves through a series of exchanged words. The hostess would then arrange for hotel accommodations, travel to Moscow, et cetera. At Moscow they would be met by a representative of the International Department of the Central Committee of the CPSU who would make all arrangements. When Buck was asked if any personal effects would be taken from the informant and his wife when they arrived in Moscow, he stated the only thing that would be taken would be their passports.

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Buck stated that the informant should advise the Russians that the CPUSA wanted him to go to China to discuss the situation in the CPUSA with the leading comrades of the CP of China. He continued that the informant should go to the Chinese Embassy in Moscow and identify himself whereupon arrangements would be made for transportation from Moscow to Peking and return.

Buck stated that the ideal schedule in Moscow would be for the informant to meet with Michael Suslov, Otto Kuusinen, and B. Ponomareff in that order since they would have endless talks and discussions with him. He stated they would give the informant a lot of time and would be very thorough in their discussions. Usually at the conclusion of such discussions Nikita Khrushchev would summarize in one, two or three hours.

Buck continued that if the informant needed any additional documents or decisions from the CPUSA while in Moscow he should either send a letter to "Progress Union Books" in Toronto for Buck who would relay the message to NY 694-S* or he should telephone or send a cable to "Progress Union Books" if an immediate contact and answer was needed.

Buck continued that the Russians would not let the informant take his notes with him when he left Moscow. He said the informant should tell his Russian contact that it would be best if these notes were sent to Buck through his channels and Buck would make them available to the informant upon his return. Buck also suggested that the informant should organize with the Russians a more direct method for transmitting such material in the future.

Possible Soviet Financial Assistance to CPUSA

Buck was advised about the serious financial condition of the CPUSA. When the informant asked him for any suggestions he might have on how the Soviet Union might transmit any money it desired to give to the CPUSA, Buck stated that he would suggest that the first one or two sums of money from the Soviet Union be sent to Buck through his channels. He continued that the informant should suggest

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this to the Russians. Upon the arrival of such funds in Canada, Buck would make them available to NY 694-S* for delivery to the CPUSA. Buck continued that if money is sent this way the informant should emphasize to the Russians that it should be in \$50 and \$100 bills in order to reduce the bulk. Buck stated that because of its importance and urgency this method could be used once or twice. After the second time, however, the Russians should take a direct method transmitting funds between the Soviet Union and the CPUSA. He stated that the Russians know how to organize and establish the necessary arrangements in this regard.

Buck emphasized on more than one occasion that the informant should not leave his schedule in Russia up to the Russians. He stated that the informant should assert himself and make demands, commenting that the Russians consider the CPUSA of the utmost importance.

Both CG 5824-S* and NY 694-S* estimated that this trip would take a minimum of 2½ months. (100-428091-21)

On 4/23/58, the New York Office telephonically advised that Elizabeth Mascolo arrived in New York City from Toronto on that day and contacted the informant. She told the informant that the instructions had been changed slightly and instead of the informant's wife going to the Soviet Consulate in London on 4/25/58 to pick up the "floating visas," she should instead go to the Czechoslovakian Embassy in Brussels on 4/28/58 to pick up the "floating visas" to Prague. At the time the informant's wife went to the Czechoslovakian Embassy in Brussels, she was to let that embassy know exactly when she and her husband would arrive in Moscow. (100-428091-22)

Financial Aid From Soviets For Trip

On 4/24/58, ASAC Simon, New York Office, telephonically advised that in her contact with our informant on 4/23/58, Mascolo gave the informant \$1000 which she said came from the Russian Embassy in Ottawa. This money was in denominations of \$100, \$50 and \$10 bills.

It is also noted that Mascolo on this same trip delivered \$6000 to Alexander Trachtenberg. This money also came from the Soviet Embassy in Ottawa and, according to our informant, Mascolo stated that part of this money was to be given to the wife of Gilbert Green. (100-428091-19)

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Departure of CG 5824-S*

On 4/24/58, ASAC Simon also advised that the informant and his wife were scheduled to leave New York on 4/24/58 at 5:00 P.M. on Flight 824, Trans World Airlines, from Idlewild, New York. They would go directly to Paris, France, arriving there at 2:00 P.M. on 4/25/58. They would leave Paris on 4/27/58 for Brussels via Sabina Airlines. They would then leave Brussels on 4/28/58 for Prague and subsequently to Moscow. (100-428091-23)

On 5/1/58, NY 694-S* advised that on that date he received an air mail letter in the handwriting of the informant's wife dated 4/29/58 at Brussels. According to NY 694-S*, this message, which was coded by prearrangements between NY 694-S* and CG 5824-S*, reflected that CG 5824-S* obtained the "floating visas" in Brussels and was about to leave for Prague on 4/29/58. He apparently had some slight difficulty in obtaining the visas and the letter indicated that he must have been sent from the Czechoslovakian Consulate to the Czechoslovakian Embassy, or vice versa, to obtain these visas. (100-428091-25)

No further information regarding this matter has been received to date.

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SAC, Chicago (134-46 Sub B)

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Reurlet 5-12-58 and Bulet 5-27-58.

There is enclosed in compliance with your request a biographic directory of the "Personnel in the Communist Party, Government and Mass Organizations of the U.S.S.R. and the 15 Soviet Republics." This directory can be retained by your office and need not be returned to the Bureau. There is also enclosed a book entitled "Handbook on People's China." This book must be returned to the Bureau when it has served its purpose. You may desire to Photostat those pages of the book which you feel will be pertinent.

It is believed that the above information is the type that will be of assistance to you in connection with the above-captioned case. However, if you feel the need for more extensive material in this regard, please advise the Bureau and every effort will be made to acquire the necessary data.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-428091)

DATE: May 12, 1958

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (134-46) (Sub B)

ATT'N: Assistant Director
A. H. BELMONT

SUBJECT: SOLO
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In order to assist the Chicago Division in the handling of information in connection with the "SOLO" case, it is requested that the Bureau furnish this office with any current information pertaining to the Communist Party of the Soviet Union and the Communist Party of China, especially the identities of the leading members of these Communist Parties.

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ADDENDUM: We are principally interested in data which might be readily available in the form of an organizational chart or some similar document identifying the principal functionaries in these two Communist Parties which would be of assistance in future interviews. It is not intended that any detailed data be furnished requiring considerable research.

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To: SAC, Chicago (100-33729)

From: Director, FBI (100-3-81)

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Reurairtel 5-23-58.

While your suggestion as set forth in reairtel does have merit to a certain extent, it is believed that there will be a minimum number of instances wherein information obtained by a field division would be clarified should that field division have prior knowledge of the fact that the Communist Party (CP), USA, is presently in contact with the CP of the Soviet Union. Any such instances which do arise can be handled on an individual basis. In view of the over-all concern for the security of our informant in this operation, therefore, it is felt that any mention thereof should be held to an absolute minimum.

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NOTE ON YELLOW:

Chicago Office suggests that we advise those field divisions handling major portion of security work that CPUSA is in contact with the Soviet Union. Chicago's suggestion is predicated upon information which was obtained by San Francisco Office concerning a conversation between Elizabeth Gurley Flynn and Mickey Lima, both members of the Party's national committee. In this conversation, Flynn made certain remarks regarding international ramifications of the CPUSA. Inasmuch as San Francisco is not intimately familiar with the Solo operation which involves the activities of our informant in a liaison capacity between CPUSA and Moscow, San Francisco was unable to interpret certain of Flynn's remarks. San Francisco requested comments from New York Office and Bureau. Upon receipt of New York comments, San Francisco will be appropriately advised concerning the correct interpretation of Flynn's statements.

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Reurlet 5-12-58.

The Bureau is attempting to acquire the data requested in your letter through liaison with the State Department. As soon as this material is received, it will be forwarded to you.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-428091) *hc*

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-134637)

SUBJECT: SOLO
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On 5/1/58 NY 694-S advised that he received on that date an air-mail letter in the handwriting of CG 5824-S' wife, dated 4/29/58 at Brussels, the contents of which were as follows:

"Getting ready to leave, and despite the tourist crowd for the Fair, had no difficulty to obtain transportation to the next scenic spot.

"The travel agency was right. It is next to impossible to get a hotel room. I was lucky so far. The food at the beginning was fair but towards the end we found some excellent food and very fine service.

"Tough not to know languages. Feeling fine. Wish you were here to enjoy the carefree life of a tourist. Warm regards.

Jack"

According to NY 694-S, the above message, which is coded, reflects that CG 5824-S obtained floating visas in Brussels, and was about to leave for Prague on 4/29/58. The reference to "food at the beginning being fair" indicates that some slight difficulty was encountered in obtaining the visas in that CG 5824-S must have been sent from the Czech Consulate to the Czech Embassy, or vice versa, to obtain the visas.

"Tough not to know languages" indicates that CG 5824-S had to talk to the Czechs through an interpreter.

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NY 694-S notes that any subsequent messages from CG 5824-S will be sent to him via TIM BUCK. With regard to the coded letter, it had been agreed between NY 694-S and CG 5824-S that messages sent by CG-5824-S while en route to his destination should reflect that the Chicago informant and his wife were tourists visiting the Brussels Fair.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-134637)
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Re NY airtel dated 5/1/58, entitled, "CP, USA, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS; IS-C".

NY 694-S* has advised SA [redacted] on 4/30/58, that the documents mentioned in retel, namely: "The South's New Challenge", a pamphlet by JAMES E. JACKSON, and a mimeographed article, "For a Revolutionary Position on the Negro Question", by HARRY HAYWOOD, and in addition, two pamphlets, "Joseph Stalin, Appraisal 1953-Reappraisal 1956", and "Is Anti-Semitism a Policy of the Present Soviet Government", these latter two circulated in the Bureau's counter-intelligence program, and all of which were given to NY 694-S* by JAMES E. JACKSON for transmittal to TIM BUCK, head of the Labor Progressive Party of Canada (The Canadian CP), are to be forwarded to CG 5824-S* abroad, by previous agreement with BUCK.

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TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT *[Signature]*

FROM : F. J. BAUMGARDNER *[Signature]*

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ASAC Simon of the New York Office advised the following is the itinerary of our informant in connection with his trip to Russia:

He was scheduled to leave New York on April 24 at 5:00 P.M. on Flight 824, Trans World Airlines; from Idlewild, New York, and would go direct to Paris, France; arriving there at 2:00 P.M. on April 25. While in Paris, he would be stopping at the Claridge Hotel, and the Party has made arrangements to reach him through the American Express in the event they wish to contact him. He would leave Paris on April 27 for Brussels via Sabina Airlines. He would stay at the Hotel Residence Belvedere in Brussels. He would leave Brussels on April 28 for Prague, Czechoslovakia. Arrangements were made by the Party to contact him through American Express at Prague should the Party wish to get in touch with him.

No further information was available concerning our informant's itinerary or the exact day he would arrive in Moscow.

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We will continue to follow this matter closely and keep you advised of pertinent developments.

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TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

DATE: April 23, 1958

FROM : MR. W. V. CLEVELAND *[Signature]*

cc Mr. Belmont *[Signature]*
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At 12:35 PM, 4-23-58, Supervisor [redacted], NYO, telephonically advised that Tim Buck had traveled from Toronto to Ottawa on 4-22-58 and returned to Toronto the same day. Today, 4-23-58, Elizabeth Mascolo arrived in New York City from Toronto and contacted CG-5824-S*. She advised CG-5824-S* that the instructions had been changed somewhat and that instead of CG-5824-S*'s wife going to the Soviet Consulate in London on 4-25-58 to pick up floating visas, she should instead go to the Czechoslovakian Embassy in Brussels on 4-28-58 and pick up floating visas to Prague, Czechoslovakia and at the time CG-5824-S*'s wife goes to the Czechoslovakian Embassy in Brussels on 4-28-58, she is to let the Embassy know exactly when she and her husband will arrive in Moscow.

Elizabeth Mascolo brought down 2 batches of money; one batch is to be given to CG-5824-S* in connection with his trip and the other batch of money is for Trachtenberg. Supervisor [redacted] advised that CG-5824-S* is to meet with Mascolo again at 4:30 PM today, after which they will know how much money is being given to CG-5824-S*. New York will consult with Chicago and thereafter a recommendation will be made to the Bureau as to whether this money should be obtained from CG-5824-S* to replace monies we have furnished him for this trip, or whether some special reason exists as to why he should keep the specific money furnished to him by the Party. If CG-5824-S* has an opportunity, he will obtain the serial numbers from the money that is to be turned over to Trachtenberg.

Supervisor [redacted] advised that CG-5824-S* and his wife have not obtained final reservations as yet and as soon as this information is obtained, he will advise the Bureau.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-428091)

DATE: April 16, 1958

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (134-46) (Sub B) ATTN:

Assistant Director
A. H. BELMONT

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The following information was furnished by NY 694-S* to SA JOHN E. KEATING on April 15, 1958. This information concerns discussions between NY 694-S* and TIM BUCK, leader of the Labor Progressive Party, the Communist Party of Canada, U.S. in Toronto, Canada, on Monday, April 14, 1958.

NY 694-S* met with BUCK on Monday morning, and again from 5:00 to 8:00 P.M. on Monday evening. BUCK cancelled a meeting of the Secretariat of the Labor Progressive Party in order to meet with NY 694-S*. BUCK talked with the radio in his residence, and when it was necessary to refer to a name, he wrote it on a piece of paper. Also, a part of the discussion was carried on in streetcars and other public transportation.

NY 694-S* told BUCK that the passports had been obtained and furnished him with the names appearing on the passports and with the numbers of the passports. BUCK was told that the passports had been applied for from a small Midwestern town.

BUCK was most happy to receive this information. He stated that since the last trip of NY 694-S* to Toronto, he had sent word to the Russians that preparations were being made for CG 5824-S* and his wife to proceed to Russia and that they would arrive in Moscow as soon as possible. BUCK said that he had received an acknowledgement of this message, but the Russians wanted to know when CG 5824-S* and his wife would arrive in Moscow. BUCK said that this means that they are waiting for CG 5824-S* [redacted] BUCK asked NY 694-S* when he was returning to the United States. NY 694-S* stated that he hoped to return on the evening of April 14, 1958.

BUCK stated that in view of the fact that the Russians are waiting for CG 5824-S*, he would take a train to Ottawa, Canada, on Monday night, April 14, 1958, and would see

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the Russian Ambassador to Canada, ~~CHUVACHIN~~ (ph), and would furnish him with the names and numbers which appear on the passports. He would also furnish him with the last twenty-eight issues of "Political Affairs", which CG 5824-S* had mailed to Canada for delivery to Russia to assist him in his discussions with the Russians. BUCK stated that CHUVACHIN was scheduled to leave Canada for Russia on either April 15 or 16, 1958.

NY 694-S* asked BUCK for guidance and advice as to the best point of departure for Europe, and asked if he had any new suggestions in this regard or if the point of departure should be New York City, which had been tentatively agreed upon during their last discussion.

BUCK said that he still thought that New York City was the best point of departure. He said that he was opposed to Montreal, since a list would be prepared containing the names of passengers leaving for Europe from Montreal. Since it would be more expensive to go to Europe from the United States by way of Montreal, this might arouse the curiosity of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

Then BUCK said that at the time of their last discussion, he was certain that direct flights between London and Moscow had been inaugurated. He said that subsequently he learned that these flights have not started as yet. He said the only direct flights to Moscow from Europe are from the Scandinavian countries and he thought that from a security standpoint such a trip would be inadvisable at this time of the year. BUCK said that he thought that the best method for a person travelling as a businessman would be to go to London, and from London to Brussels, and then on the Sabina Airlines from Brussels to Prague, Czechoslovakia, and then from Prague to Moscow.

BUCK said that CHUVACHIN will make the arrangements for the floating visas and that CG 5824-S* [redacted] should do the following upon arriving in London:

[redacted] should go first to the Soviet Consulate in London. When she arrives at the Consulate, she should give her name, SYLVIA CAMP, to the receptionist. She should say that she is there in behalf of herself and her husband, and would like to see the Consul. She should also say, I am sure that he will see me. If there is any hesitancy on the part of

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the receptionist, she should say, We are going to Moscow. BUCK said that the First Consul will see her, unless he is not available. In that event, the First Secretary will see her. Probably they will give her the floating visas for Russia. There is a possibility, however, that the Consul will send her to the Soviet Embassy in London, since transit or floating visas are generally given only to the higher echelon of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union or to the diplomatic corps of the Soviet Union and are handled by the Embassy. It is possible that the Russians will not let the Consulate in London, England, handle this matter.

After obtaining the floating visas for Russia, she should then go to the Czechoslovakian Consulate in London and obtain the floating visas for Czechoslovakia. BUCK emphasized that the Czechoslovakians will not give the floating visas for Czechoslovakia unless one for Russia has been obtained first.

NY 694-S* told BUCK that, for security reasons, ^{Russ.} CG 5824-S* did not want to see JOHN WILLIAMSON in England on the way to Russia, but would try to see him on the return trip from Russia. NY 694-S* then asked BUCK what CG 5824-S* and [redacted] should do if, for some reason, a floating visa was not obtained either from the Russians or from the Czechoslovakians in London. BUCK stated that as a last resort, they should contact JOHN WILLIAMSON, who would personally deliver the floating visas to them. NY 694-S* asked BUCK if there was any possibility that WILLIAMSON might go to Moscow for the May 1st celebration. BUCK said that this possibility exists, since the Russians usually invite him to this celebration.

NY 694-S* asked how CG 5824-S* [redacted] should get transportation to Moscow. He said that they should not purchase the tickets from Prague to Moscow in Brussels, but should only purchase round trip tickets on Sabina Airlines from Brussels to Prague. Word will be sent to Prague from Russia to expect them there.

Then, in a most confidential manner, BUCK said that as they leave the plane at the airport in Prague, they will observe ground hostesses who are in uniform. BUCK stated that one of the functions of these ground hostesses is to take care of such passengers as CG 5824-S* [redacted]. They should contact one of the ground hostesses and tell her that they are in transit and are going to Moscow as guests of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union. They

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should give her their names, MARTIN and SYLVIA CAMP. In the event that there are other people around the ground hostesses, and the majority of people on the plane will probably be Americans, then they should take a piece of paper, write the names MARTIN and SYLVIA CAMP and that they are going to Moscow as guests of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union. They should then ask a ground hostess, who will speak English, "How do I get here?", and then show her the piece of paper. She will reply innocently, "Yes, yes, I will tell you how to get there." She will then take over and make necessary arrangements for transportation or for hotel reservations, if this is necessary. They should provide her with the money for the plane tickets from Prague to Moscow. BUCK also stated that their luggage would not be inspected between Brussels and Moscow.

BUCK said that when they arrive in Moscow, they will be met and greeted by a representative of the International Department of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union. Probably this person will be ALEKSI (ph), whom he described as follows: He is young and is about the same height and weight as JOHN WILLIAMSON. He has a round face and his most outstanding characteristic is very pink cheeks. If it is not ALEKSI, it will probably be NICOLAI OFF (ph), who is older than ALEKSI and also represents the International Department of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union. All arrangements will be made by the representative of the International Department, Central Committee, Communist Party of the Soviet Union. Russ

NY 694-S* asked if any personal effects, such as money, would be taken from them when they arrive in Moscow. BUCK said that the only thing that would be taken from them would be the passports. Russ

NY 694-S* asked what usually happens when you arrive in Moscow. BUCK stated that the representative of the International Department of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union will have an outline of a schedule, which will have been arranged in advance. BUCK told NY 694-S* to tell CG 5824-S* to assert himself so that the Russians do not dominate the schedule. BUCK also stated that the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union representative will also make available to CG 5824-S* the material which has been sent to Moscow to assist in the discussions with the Russians.

NY 694-S* said that BUCK was very happy to learn that

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EUGENE DENNIS wants CG 5824-S* to go to China. He told NY 694-S* to tell CG 5824-S* that he should tell the representative of the International Department, Central Committee, Communist Party of the Soviet Union, that the Communist Party - USA wants him to go to China to discuss the situation in the Communist Party - USA with the leading comrades of the Communist Party of China. Therefore, a break of from one week to ten days should be made in the schedule in order to permit this trip. BUCK said that this break might come after the discussions have been concluded and while CG 5824-S* is waiting for any decisions or instructions from the Russians.

BUCK said that CG 5824-S* should go to the Chinese Embassy in Moscow and tell them who he is -- that is, his real identity. They will make arrangements for transportation from Moscow to Peking, and back to Moscow.

^{Russ.} Then BUCK stated that the ideal schedule in Moscow would be for CG 5824-S* to meet with MIKHAIL ^{Russ.} SUSLOV, OTTO KUUSINEN and B. PONOMAREFF, in that order, since they would have endless talks and discussions with him. They would give CG 5824-S* a lot of time and would be very thorough in their discussions with him. Usually at the conclusion of such discussions, NIKITA KHRUSHCHEV will summarize in one, two or more hours.

NY 694-S* asked BUCK what CG 5824-S* should do if he needs some additional documents or decisions from the Communist Party - USA while he is in Moscow. BUCK said that this could be accomplished in two ways. The first would be to send a letter to Progress Union Books in Toronto, Canada, for TIM BUCK, who would relay any message to NY 694-S* in New York. If an immediate contact and answer is needed, then CG 5824-S* should either send a cable to Progress Union Books in Toronto, or should telephone to Progress Books in Toronto. If a telephone call is made, it will probably be answered by either BESS MASCOLO or [redacted] described by BUCK as two trusted individuals. If either answers the telephone, CG 5824-S* should say, This is [redacted] I will call tomorrow. BUCK will then know that this call is from CG 5824-S* and he will be waiting for the call at Progress Books the next day.

^{US DELEG} NY 694-S* pointed out that [redacted] ALIAS OF MARTIN CAMP, CG 5824-S* left Canada on or about April 9, 1958, for Moscow, as a delegate from the Labor Progressive Party to the Comsomol (ph) Congress presently being held in Moscow.

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BUCK stated that the same system of communication should be used in case any emergency arises in London, Brussels, Paris, etc.

BUCK then stated that the Russians will not let CG 5824-S* take his notes with him when he leaves Moscow. Since the Communist Party - USA has no apparatus for the transmittal of these notes, BUCK stated that CG 5824-S* should tell his contact from the International Department of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union that it would be best if the notes were sent to BUCK through his channels and BUCK will make them available to CG 5824-S* through NY 694-S*. BUCK also suggested that for the future, CG 5824-S* should organize with the Russians a more direct method for transmitting such material.

NY 694-S* pointed out to BUCK that the Communist Party - USA is in a very serious financial condition. Yet, the Communist Party - USA has no apparatus to receive money from Russia. NY 694-S* asked BUCK for any suggestions he might have on how the Communist Party of the Soviet Union might transmit any money it might desire to give to the Communist Party - USA. BUCK stated that since the Communist Party - USA is in a serious financial situation, which requires immediate attention, he would suggest that the first one or two sums of money from the Communist Party of the Soviet Union to the Communist Party - USA be sent to BUCK through his channels and that CG 5824-S* should suggest this to the Communist Party of the Soviet Union. When any such funds arrive in Canada, BUCK will make them available to NY 694-S* for delivery to the Communist Party - USA.

BUCK stated that if the money is sent this way, CG 5824-S* should emphasize to the Russians that it should not be in small denominations, since it would be difficult to transport it to the United States from Canada. He said that he thought that fifty and one hundred dollar bills would be best in order to reduce the bulk. BUCK said that because of its importance and urgency, that this method could be used once or twice. However, after the second time, the Russians should use a direct method of transmittal of funds between the Communist Party of the Soviet Union and the Communist Party - USA. BUCK said that the Russians know how to organize and establish such an arrangement for the direct transmittal of funds between Russia and the United States.

Next, NY 694-S* and BUCK discussed when CG 5824-S* and might arrive in Moscow. BUCK said that it would be

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wonderful if they could arrive there before May 1, 1958, since important Communist Party leaders from all over the world will be in Moscow for the May Day celebration. If they could arrive in Moscow before May 1, 1958, then there would be time available to arrange for discussions with these leaders.

BUCK then stated that he would suggest the following: That CG 5824-S* [redacted] pick up the floating visas in London on Friday, April 25, 1958. Then they could travel over the weekend of April 26 and 27, 1958, to Paris and Brussels, and would be ready to leave Brussels on April 28, 1958, for Prague, Czechoslovakia. Therefore, he will give the date of April 25, 1958, to CHUVACHIN as the date the visas will be picked up in London. Since the Consulate is closed on the weekend, an alternate date of Monday, April 28, 1958, will be given to provide for any delays in transportation. BUCK stated that this is more than a schedule, since all people enroute will be alerted in regard to this timetable.

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BUCK also told NY 694-S* that he would "guarantee" that the Russians would reimburse CG 5824-S* for travel expenses. NY 694-S* told BUCK that the Communist Party - USA considers this trip so important that, despite the horrible financial situation which means that there is a crisis every week in order to issue "The Worker", the Communist Party - USA gave CG 5824-S* a loan of as much money as it could scrape up for the purposes of this trip.

NY 694-S* asked BUCK if the Labor Progressive Party could give CG 5824-S* a loan of a few hundred additional dollars for this trip. BUCK said that since no one other than himself in the Labor Progressive Party knows about the trip, it would be awkward for him to ask his Secretariat to approve such a loan. NY 694-S* said that he understood and that normally he would have been able to get a loan from JACK COWAN, except that COWAN is in Europe. NY 694-S* said that with BUCK's permission, he would see if he could get a loan from some of his friends in the Labor Progressive Party in Toronto. BUCK gave NY 694-S* this permission.

It is noted that NY 694-S* went through this procedure in regard to funds as an additional security measure.

NY 694-S* saw BUCK again from 5:00 to 8:00 P.M., at which time they merely went over the details of the previous discussion.

Miscellaneous

BUCK emphasized on more than one occasion that CG 5824-S* should not leave his schedule in Russia up to the Russians. He said that CG 5824-S* should assert himself and should make demands. He commented that the Russians consider the American Communist Party of the utmost importance.

Both CG 5824-S* and NY 694-S* pointed out that despite BUCK's remarks in this regard, that the itinerary and schedule of CG 5824-S* in Russia will be very much under the control of the Russians. Unless some emergency arises or unless the Russians want CG 5824-S* to immediately transmit some instructions to the Communist Party - USA, they will proceed in a most leisurely fashion. Both CG 5824-S* and NY 694-S* estimate that this trip will take a minimum of two and one-half months.

NY 694-S* also advised that he had discussed with TIM BUCK the possibility of JOHN WILLIAMSON coming to Canada from England for purposes of discussions with CG 5824-S*, since EUGENE DENNIS had raised this possibility with CG 5824-S*. NY 694-S* asked BUCK if it would make it tough on the Labor Progressive Party if WILLIAMSON were to come from England to Canada, stay for a while and then return to England. TIM BUCK stated that a British subject could come to Canada, but in the case of JOHN WILLIAMSON, he would have to go to the British authorities and say that he wanted to come to Canada as an immigrant. BUCK stated that in his opinion, if the British authorities did not recognize WILLIAMSON, then they would allow him to go to Canada as an immigrant, in which case he could stay in Canada for a few weeks and then return to England. BUCK stated that if the authorities did recognize him, they would undoubtedly refuse this permission to him. He stated that if WILLIAMSON would make such a trip, it would in no way affect the Labor Progressive Party.

In discussing where the floating visas should be obtained, BUCK stated that he was opposed to obtaining these visas in the Consulates or Embassies in Paris. He said that there are too many F.B.I. people in Paris. He said that there was a recent experience where some American, whom he did not name, went to the American Embassy in Paris because some emergency arose, and that the passport was taken away from him at the American Embassy.

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TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

DATE: April 24, 1958

FROM : MR. J. A. SIZOO

cc Mr. Belmont
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ASAC Simon called this afternoon and advised that 5824-S was leaving New York at 3:00 PM today on TWA Flight 862, arriving London, 9 AM, April 25, 1958.

He said New York had discussed with Chicago the matter of the \$900.00 which 5824-S had received from Canada. The \$900.00 was obtained from the informant and is being sent to Chicago. 5824-S will indicate that he borrowed the money before leaving Chicago and turned the money he obtained from Canada over to his brother who will repay the loan.

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TO : MR. L. V. BOARDMAN

DATE: April 24, 1958

FROM : MR. A. H. BELMONT

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At 11:20 AM, April 24, 1958, ASAC Simon of the NYO advised that the informant's itinerary has been changed slightly. Inasmuch as the floating visas are not to be obtained in London, the informant will not spend any time in London, but will go directly to Paris. He expects to arrive in Paris on April 25th. He will leave Paris on the afternoon of April 27th for Brussels. He will leave Brussels on April 28th and will arrive in Prague on the same day. From there he will proceed to the Soviet Union.

Elizabeth Mascolo, common-law wife of Tim Buck, Canadian communist leader, gave our informant \$1,000 on April 23, 1958. This money, according to Mascolo, came from the Russian Embassy in Ottawa. The \$1,000 was in denominations of 100, 50 and 10 dollar bills. Our informant gave Mascolo \$100.00 and told her to give it to Tim Buck to compensate him for having sent Mascolo to New York with the money for our informant. The informant said this was a good-will gesture to Tim Buck. With respect to what disposition was to be made of the remaining \$900.00, our informant stated he saw no reason why the Bureau should not take the \$900.00. He didn't feel it was necessary for him to have the specific money which the Soviets had provided in his possession. ASAC Simon stated that he is going to discuss this matter with Chicago, the office of origin, to determine whether Chicago can advance any reason as to why the Bureau should not take the \$900.00 from our informant. He asked for the Bureau's views as to this and was told that if the informant didn't feel it was necessary for him to have the specific money provided by the Soviets and the Chicago Office interposed no objection, then New York should accept the \$900.00 from the informant and forward it to the office of origin, Chicago. Mr. Simon asked whether the informant should be reimbursed and was told that inasmuch as we had already advanced the informant sufficient funds, it was not necessary to reimburse the informant.

Our informant also advised that Elizabeth Mascolo delivered \$6,000 to Alexander Trachtenberg, American communist functionary in New York. This \$6,000 also came from the Soviet Embassy in Ottawa. According to our informant, Mascolo stated that part of this \$6,000 was to be given to the wife of Gilbert Green. Green was convicted in

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the first New York Smith Act trial on 10-14-49. He subsequently became a fugitive, but turned himself in on 2-27-56 and is currently serving eight years in the penitentiary.

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You will be kept advised of developments in this matter.

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TO : Mr. L. V. Boardman

DATE: April 21, 1958

FROM : Mr. A. H. Belmont *AB*

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At 5:30 p.m., April 21, 1958, SAC Auerbach, Chicago, called with reference to previous authorization by the Bureau to advance the informant \$2000.00 for travel and other expenses on his trip to Moscow. Auerbach said that Chicago has carefully gone over with the informant the expenses anticipated and noted that informant on arrival in Moscow would have a maximum of approximately \$500.00 and from this amount he might have to purchase transportation back to London. Auerbach stated that it was quite possible any Soviet advances of funds would be in an indirect fashion and would not be made available to the informant in Moscow and, therefore, he requested authority for an additional \$500.00 advance. This would make a total advance of \$2500.00 by the Bureau (informant was advanced \$1500.00 by the Communist Party, USA). It is noted that it is hoped the Soviets will reimburse the informant for expenses of his trip and we may be reimbursed, at least in part.

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Auerbach advised that the informant was leaving Chicago on April 21, 1958, and, therefore, Auerbach was authorized by Inspector D. E. Moore to advance the informant the additional \$500.00.

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NY, 694-S*

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Re Chicago letter to Bureau 4/16/58 captioned, "SOLO, IS - C", a copy of which was furnished to the New York office. Relet set forth results of the trip of NY 694-S* to Canada to make the final arrangements in connection with the Solo operation.

The Chicago office would like to make the following observations regarding this matter:

It is felt that NY 694-S* did an excellent job on obtaining full details as well as making the necessary arrangements to further enhance the success of the Solo operation. His inquiries were most penetrating and arrangements were made in such a manner so that any future operations along this line would result in the greatest possible value to the Bureau. It is felt that his questions of TIM BUCK were of such a nature as to forestall the possibilities of the unexpected occurring.

The Chicago office is further of the opinion that the value of NY 694-S* in furthering the success of this mission cannot be measured in dollars and cents, and without his assistance, plus his extensive knowledge of courier apparatus, this operation would not have been possible.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. BOARDMAN *JBO*

DATE: 4/16/58

FROM : A. H. Belmont *AH* (115-110F-EDIS)

SUBJECT: SOLO

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the [unclear]

SAC Auerbach, Chicago, called on the morning of 4/16 to advise of developments regarding the proposed trip of 5824-S and his wife to Russia.

Auerbach said that 694-S reported concerning his conversation with Tim Buck in Canada. 694-S said that Buck's contact on this matter is directly with Soviet Ambassador Chuvachin (phonetic). He said there is an understanding that the Russians will reimburse the informant for the cost of this trip to Russia.

Relative to visas, as soon as Buck had talked to 694-S, securing the numbers of the passports, et cetera, Buck immediately arranged to contact the Soviet Ambassador, who was to leave for Russia on 4/15 or 4/16, and will set up appropriate arrangements for visas for the informants.

694-S reported that, according to Buck, the trip should be made promptly. 5824-S should be in London by 4/25. His wife is to go to the Russian Consulate there, see the receptionist and identify herself and request to see the consul. If there is any hesitation, she will say, "He will see me. My husband and I are going to Russia." She will secure a floating visa for Russia (a visa specifying no definite limits as to time and place). This visa will not be attached to the informant's passport, thus not reflecting, upon his return to the US, that he has been in Russia.

The informant's wife will then go to the Czechoslovakian Consulate in London and secure a floating visa there for Prague. The informant and his wife will leave London promptly for Brussels, via Paris, on 4/26 or 4/27. They will leave Brussels immediately for Prague. At Prague they will be met by a ground hostess, to whom they will identify themselves through a series of exchanged words. The hostess will arrange for hotel, etc., and travel to Moscow. At Moscow they will be met and their schedules will be arranged.

The informant is to plan for a side trip to China, leaving from Moscow and returning to Moscow. In China he is to talk to the Chinese leaders regarding the ~~CCP Communist Party~~.

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cc Mr. Boardman, Mr. Belmont, Mr. Baumgardner

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Mr. Boardman

On his return trip from Moscow, informant is to stop in Paris and see Jaques DuClos, the Communist leader there.

The informant has an emergency contact in London if trouble arises over the visas, namely John Williamson. The informant also has an emergency cable or telephone contact at Toronto, Canada, which he can reach from the continent. This is a book shop in Toronto which will immediately contact 694-S in New York.

The expected duration of the informant's trip is a minimum of 2½ months. His schedule is to be set up and controlled by the Russians. The informant's notes and materials which he will compile will be sent back to this country through Russian control, probably through the Russian diplomatic pouch to Canada.

Tim Buck said that 5824-S should be sure to assert himself in Russia and make demands because of his position as representative of the CPUSA. Buck said that informant will be dealing on a high level of international communism and will be talking to the members of the Central Committee of the CP in the Soviet Union.

Auerbach said that the informant has a number of personal problems to handle before he leaves, such as setting up appropriate care of his house, his parents, handling a report to the CP on the activities of the Audit Commission, securing appropriate clothes, etc. Auerbach said that the Chicago office is giving him every assistance.

Relative to finances, you will recall that the CP loaned the informant \$1500 for this trip. Auerbach said that this would be insufficient, and we will have to assist in financing the trip, although the Soviets are supposed to repay the informant for the trip. For example, the round trip ticket from NY to Brussels is \$1206, and does not include expenses in London, Brussels, Prague, and the cost of the trip from Brussels to Moscow, etc.

Auerbach said that he contemplates sending SA Keating with the informant and his wife when they depart for NY on this trip, in order to assist them in their arrangements, clothes, etc. He said the informant is depending on the office to give them assistance. I told Auerbach that the Chicago office should give every assistance, and there was no objection to Keating going to NY, but only if this could be done with complete security. I told Auerbach that the informant would be undoubtedly contacting Communist leaders in NY before his departure and it is essential that complete security be observed in the handling of the informant.

Auerbach will advise us of further developments and the extent to which financial assistance will be required.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. BOARDMAN *W.C.*

DATE: 4/17/58

FROM : MR. BELMONT *Q*

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SAC Auerbach called at 10:25 a.m., 4/17, to advise that 5824-S and his wife will leave Chicago Monday for New York. They have a confirmed reservation on TWA, 3:00 p.m., on 4/24, New York to London, arriving at London 9:00 a.m., 4/25.

Auerbach requested authority to advance the informant \$2,000 for travel and other expenses. It is hoped that the Russians will reimburse the informant for expense of this trip and the informant will be able to reimburse us at least in part.

Auerbach stated that the need for the \$2,000 advance is reflected by the following expenses:

Round trip ticket Chicago to New York	\$200.00
Round trip ticket New York to London	1,206.00
Travel from London to Moscow and return	700.00
Expenses London and Brussels, Prague and while in Moscow and return to London	750.00
Local Chicago expenses for informant's parents, utilities and upkeep of house	200.00
Luggage, clothes, medicines, etc.	350.00
Literature, books, and postage which informant is sending first class through Canada	75.00
Total.....	\$3,481.00

The informant was advanced \$1,500 by the CP USA and with the \$2,000 advance by the Bureau will be able to meet the expenses.

I authorized Auerbach to make this advance.

Auerbach said a separate file has been set up on the financing of this trip so that there will be no question as to the accuracy of the expenses, etc.

cc: J. S. Johnson, F. J. Baumgardner
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Memorandum to Mr. Boardman

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Auerbach said that in order to make this advance he would appreciate having expense vouchers submitted by the Chicago Office within the last few days handled as promptly as possible by the Bureau. The Administrative Division was alerted to this.

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- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. Boardman
- Mr. Belmont
- Mr. Mohr
- Mr. Nease
- Mr. Parsons
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Tamm
- Mr. Trotter
- Mr. Clayton
- Tele. Room
- Mr. Holloman
- Miss Gandy

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-428091)

DATE: 4/11/58

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO

SUBJECT: SOLO
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

ATTENTION: Assistant Director
A. H. BELMONT

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CG 5824-S*, on April 4, 1958, orally furnished the following information to SA JOHN E. KEATING. CG 5824-S* received most of this information in a conversation with EUGENE DENNIS on Monday, March 31, 1958. A very small portion of the information was received from DENNIS on April 1, 1958.

Inasmuch as DENNIS was briefing CG 5824-S* on recent developments in the Communist Party - USA for purposes of transmitting this information to the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, DENNIS was attempting to place the Communist Party - USA in as favorable a light as possible. DENNIS was also issuing instructions to CG 5824-S* concerning his proposed trip to Russia and China.

FOR THE ABOVE REASONS IT IS FELT THAT THERE SHOULD BE NO DISSEMINATION OF ANY OF THIS INFORMATION AT THIS TIME, IN ORDER TO FULLY PROTECT THE IDENTITY OF CG 5824-S* AND THE SUCCESS OF THE "SOLO" OPERATION.

Instructions to MORRIS CHILDS

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PAUL ROBESON's Book, "Here I Stand"

EUGENE DENNIS stated that MORRIS CHILDS should try to see PAUL ROBESON, while he is in Chicago, and obtain an autographed copy of ROBESON's book, "Here I Stand", for delivery to [redacted] in Moscow.

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WILLIAM Z. FOSTER

DENNIS stated that he has heard that WILLIAM Z. FOSTER has two new articles which are in Moscow. DENNIS stated that the Russians should be told that FOSTER's articles are intolerable because they are causing divisions in the ranks of the Communist Party - USA and they are also endangering the legality of the Communist Party - USA. DENNIS said that FOSTER raises problems which cannot be dealt with, especially by the Russian press.

DENNIS stated that CHILDS should tell the Russians that even before he became ill, the "old man" was doctrinaire, rigid, and in the recent discussions in the Communist Party - USA, he was actually engaging in factionalism. Further, FOSTER has never had an outlook toward the building of a future leadership; that is, he has never brought younger persons into the leadership.

As an example of what FOSTER is doing at the present time, DENNIS stated that a few days ago the old so-and-so picked up the telephone and called him. FOSTER told DENNIS that the Communist Party - USA should endorse NIKITA KHRUSHCHEV for Premier of the USSR. Further, that the Communist Party - USA should ask for democratic safeguards, since KHRUSHCHEV is now playing a dual role. DENNIS commented that this is an example of the disregard for security precautions by FOSTER, who would get the Communist Party - USA in trouble legally.

On April 1, 1958, CHILDS asked DENNIS if he would tell the "old man" that CHILDS was going to Russia. DENNIS said that he would not and that he, DENNIS, would take the responsibility if the "old man" finds out about it.

CHILDS asked about the plans of FOSTER to go to Moscow. DENNIS told CHILDS to tell the Russians that physically FOSTER is learning to walk. Further, that if FOSTER travels, it will have to be legally. The first task of the attorneys is to try to lift the Smith Act indictment against FOSTER. Also, the Communist Party - USA will not let FOSTER apply for a passport until after the decision is rendered in the ROCKWELL-KENT case. This decision may be rendered in June, 1958. It is not advisable for FOSTER to apply for a passport before a ruling on the KENT case, since the circumstances in regard to FOSTER would be very similar.

United States Government Action
Against the Communist Party - USA

DENNIS stated that the Russians should be told that there is a new round of attacks against the Communist Party in the United States. They should be told that some people have to go on trial concerning membership in the Party. For this reason, the Communist Party - USA has to be secure and has to be careful. Spokesmen for the Communist Party - USA have to be secure and careful.

Criticism of ABE MAGIL in the "Kommunist"

DENNIS told CHILDS that the Russians should be informed that in regard to the criticism of ABE MAGIL in the "Kommunist", some mistakes were made because the Russians are out of touch with the Communist Party - USA. They cannot investigate and, thus, they do not know all the facts. Therefore, they are just creating new problems for the Communist Party - USA.

Representative for the Proposed
International Journal

In regard to a representative from the Communist Party - USA for the proposed international journal to be published in Prague, Czechoslovakia, DENNIS said that perhaps JOHN WILLIAMSON could be the de facto representative for the Communist Party - USA for this journal, but WILLIAMSON cannot be the legal representative of the Communist Party - USA. DENNIS stated that WILLIAMSON might be able to supply information for this journal better than anyone who is not acquainted with the United States.

DENNIS asked CHILDS if he thought that it would be possible for WILLIAMSON to make a trip from England to Canada about once a year. CHILDS could meet WILLIAMSON in Canada and brief him on recent developments in the Communist Party - USA, thus permitting WILLIAMSON to act as the de facto representative for the Communist Party - USA on the proposed international journal and, therefore, in regard to any matters pertaining to the international Communist movement.

CHILDS asked DENNIS if he should see WILLIAMSON on the way to Russia. DENNIS hesitated, and then stated that it would be better to see WILLIAMSON on the return trip from Russia. If CHILDS does see WILLIAMSON, he should tell him that he is a careless

correspondent. Further, CHILDS should tell WILLIAMSON that he should know better than to write the type of letters and request the kind of answers that he has in his correspondence with DENNIS.

JACQUES DUCLOS and the Communist Party of France

CHILDS asked DENNIS if he should try to see JACQUES DUCLOS in France. DENNIS stated that it would be best to try to see DUCLOS on the return trip from Paris. DENNIS also stated that CHILDS should find out what the Communist Party of France is doing, but should not tell the Communist Party of France too much about the situation in the Communist Party - USA.

Communist Party of China

DENNIS told CHILDS to go to China from Russia and tell the Chinese that JAMES ALLEN is concerning himself with the Chinese and a sub-committee of people from Philadelphia and New York, who are discussing the Chinese question and are studying the Chinese situation. DENNIS said that there is a person in Philadelphia who is just filled with knowledge about China and the Far East.

Russian Press Material for "The Worker"

DENNIS said that it is all right for the Soviet press material to be sent directly from Russia to "The Worker", providing that the Russians send the same material to a couple of other papers in the United States. If the Russians only plan to send this material to "The Worker", then it cannot be mailed directly.

HENRY WINSTON, GIL GREEN and IRVING POTASH

DENNIS stated that the attorney, JOHN ABT, visited with HENRY WINSTON, GIL GREEN and IRVING POTASH after the February, 1958, meeting of the National Committee. The attorney said that all three expressed full agreement with the line of the National Committee. All three also said that the economic question must be the key to everything in expanding the ties of the Communist Party - USA and breaking down the isolation of the Communist Party.

DENNIS said that WINSTON and GREEN are feeling all right, but POTASH is in bad health. POTASH expects to be released from prison in August, 1958, but the attorney believes that the Immigration and Naturalization Service may add an additional six months detention period.

DENNIS commented that the Russians made a terrible mistake in the manner in which they sent IRVING POTASH back to the United States. DENNIS said that if it had not been for JACK CHILDS, the Communist Party - USA would have been in terrible shape and the Party had a narrow escape. DENNIS said that the Russians should be told this and should be told that POTASH came back to the United States at the wrong time.

GUS HALL

DENNIS said that GUS HALL is having trouble. When he last reported to the Parole Office, the FBI had prepared a dossier showing that he had met with all kinds of Party people. The Parole Office threatened to lift his conditional release. DENNIS commented that this may knock GUS HALL out of circulation for some time.

Jewish Question

DENNIS told CHILDS that he should find out in Moscow and/or in Paris what happened when the French Communist Party and the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union discussed the Jewish question sometime after November, 1958.

DENNIS stated that CARL WINTER and JACK STACHEL will write an article on the Jewish question. It will be friendly and will place the Communist Party - USA in a different light in regard to this question than has been presented in the articles written by MORRIS SCHAPPES, PAUL NOVICK and others.

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CHILDS was instructed by DENNIS to obtain photographs of [redacted] while he is in Moscow. DENNIS told CHILDS that any letter [redacted] to DENNIS should not contain any reference to [redacted]. DENNIS also suggested that [redacted] write to MORRIS CHILDS, who would then give the letter to DENNIS.

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DENNIS asked CHILDS to take some gifts [redacted]. He suggested, in addition to the PAUL ROBESON book, FOSTER's history of the Communist Party - USA and FOSTER's history of the Negro people.

The Communist Party of Mexico

DENNIS stated that ORDOQUI (JOAQUIN ORDOQUI MESA), of the Cuban Communist Party, sent a document through the Communist Party - USA charging DIONISIO ENCINA, of the Communist Party of Mexico, with playing the game of the enemy. ORDOQUI indicated that the Mexican Communist Party leadership is honeycombed with spies.

Secretariat of the Communist Party - USA

DENNIS was asked by CHILDS who would know that CHILDS was going to Moscow. DENNIS replied, You will speak for the Secretariat. CHILDS asked, Do you have one? DENNIS replied, Well, we act as one, and it consists of the following:

EUGENE DENNIS, Secretary
BOB THOMPSON, Executive Secretary and
Organization Department
JACK STACHEL, Associate Editor of "The
Worker"
JAMES JACKSON, the South
HYMAN LUMER, Education

Parenthetically speaking, it is to be noted that DENNIS would expect that CHILDS would indicate to the Russians that DENNIS is the General Secretary, and thus is the leader of the Communist Party - USA. Thus, DENNIS is placing himself as the leader of the Communist Party - USA, as is the customary procedure in most Communist Parties.

DENNIS stated that at least three of these people will know that CHILDS is going to Moscow. The only one who will not know will be HY LUMER. Then DENNIS said, You will speak for the Secretariat and I speak for the Secretariat.

Transmittal of Funds

DENNIS had no suggestions at this time as to how the Communist Party - USA, in a disguised manner, might receive funds from the Communist Party of the Soviet Union.

OTHER INFORMATION FURNISHED BY DENNIS IN CONNECTION WITH THIS BRIEFING IS CONTAINED IN CHICAGO LETTER DATED APRIL 11, 1958, AND CAPTIONED "COMMUNIST PARTY, USA - ORGANIZATION, IS-C."

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TO : MR. BOARDMAN

DATE: 4/15/58

FROM : A. H. Belmont

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SAC Auerbach advised on the afternoon of 4/14 that 694-S had gone to Canada to confer with Tim Buck and was returning to NY via Chicago, arriving in Chicago on the morning of 4/15 and leaving for NY the evening of 4/15. He requested that our NY office be advised, and I so advised ASAC Ed McCabe, NY, on the evening of 4/14/58.

Auerbach said that the results of 694-S' conversation with Buck will be available on 4/15, but preliminary indications are that Buck advocated that the trip of 5824-S be started promptly and that he would be contacted in either London or Paris in order that he could secure the necessary visa to go into Russia.

Auerbach had previously raised the question whether the names and telephone numbers of our Legats in London and Paris should not be furnished to 5824-S. I told Auerbach I considered this inadvisable, as the informant would probably be searched and various listening devices might be used in his hotel rooms, etc.

Auerbach again raised this question, saying that the informant felt that he should have some one to contact in an emergency. Auerbach suggested that a drop system could be worked up whereby the informant could contact one of our Legats in an emergency.

I told Auerbach that we still considered this very inadvisable. I pointed out that, for all we know, the English and French may have technical coverage on the American Embassies, and might consequently cover any call the informant might make to the Legat. Relative to possible drops (cut-outs whereby the informant would get word to the Legat that he wanted to meet him at a specified place), I told Auerbach that this was a cloak-and-dagger maneuver and there was too much chance of a slip-up. I told Auerbach that if the informant gets into trouble he always can contact the American Embassy, as any other American citizen can do, and that, short of some difficulty with his health, I could not visualize a situation where the informant should be contacting anyone.

I told Auerbach to discuss this with the informant, and point out that our precaution in this matter is for his safety, as we do not want to set up any proposal which in any way could tie him into the FBI.

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cc Mr. Boardman, Mr. Belmont, Mr. Baumgardner

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-428091)

DATE: April 8, 1958

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (134-46-Sub B)

PERSONAL ATTENTION:
Ass't. Director BELMONT

SUBJECT: SOLO
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In connection with the above-captioned case, it is requested that the Chicago Office be furnished with the names and telephone numbers for the Legal Attaches in London and Paris. This information is being requested so that it can be furnished to CG 5824-S*. The informant would not contact the Legal Attaches unless some extreme emergency arose. In the event that it became necessary to contact either one of the Legal Attaches the informant would use the name MARTIN CAMP.

When the approximate date of departure for the informant is known the Bureau will be advised so that the Legal Attaches in London and Paris can be alerted for a possible emergency phone call.

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S.A. [redacted] of the Chicago office was advised on 4-12-58 this should NOT be done. JJK

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SAC, Chicago (134-46-Sub B)

April 8, 1958

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Authority granted to advance to CG 5824-S prior to the date of his departure in regard to captioned case his regularly authorized payment through May, 1958. Authority also granted to reimburse [redacted] \$102.50 per week for loss of pay from her employment while she accompanies CG 5824-S on this trip. These payments to [redacted] should be considered a part of the total cost of the Solo operation.

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You should delete the word "June" from the caption of your copy of relet. Bureau copies have been corrected. As set forth in my letter to you 3-6-58, the Bureau has opened a separate file on captioned case. In order to afford maximum security to this file, it is maintained in the special mail room. This is not where "June" mail is maintained and a "June" classification causes confusion in handling.
 NOTE ON YELLOW:

See memo Belmont to Boardman dated April 7, 1958, same caption; HC:med.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-428091)

DATE: April 2, 1958

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (134-46-Sub B)

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SUBJECT: SOLO
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

PERSONAL ATTENTION:
Ass't. Director
A. H. BELMONT

[redacted] has advised that she and CG 5824-S* do not have any reserve fund. She said that they live on a month to month basis. They have several fixed expenses each month. Among these expenses are monthly payments on the mortgage for their residence, payments for rent and subsistence for the parents of CG 5824-S*, and payments for the subsistence of the mother of [redacted]. The present authorization for payments for services and normal expenses for CG 5824-S* up to \$900.00 per month, extends through May, 1958.

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It is requested that authority be granted to advance to CG 5824-S* payment for services rendered and normal expenses incurred from the date of departure, in regard to the Solo case, through May, 1958, so that arrangements can be made by the informants for the payment of the above-listed fixed expenses in advance of the date of departure.

[redacted] also advised on March 31, 1958, that she has completed arrangements to take a leave of absence of approximately two months duration from her present place of employment. She has told her employer that this leave of absence will probably start some time during the period between April 15 and 30, 1958.

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[redacted] has advised that her weekly salary is \$102.50. Inasmuch as [redacted] will be serving as a cover for the trip of CG 5824-S* and it is believed highly desirable that she accompany him, it is recommended that authority be granted to pay the salary of [redacted] during the time she is on a leave of absence from her place of employment and that this be considered a part of the total cost of the Solo operation.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. L. V. BOARDMAN *LB 4/8/58*

DATE: April 8, 1958

FROM : MR. A. H. BELMONT *AHB*

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SUBJECT: SOLO

SAC Auerbach called on the afternoon of April 7, 1958, from Chicago to advise that the passport applications of 5824-S* and his wife had been sent in to the State Department on April 7, under the names of Sylvia Soney Camp and Martin A. Camp.

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Auerbach had previously advised that the informant was to take a trip to New York as a member of the CP auditing committee. Auerbach said that while the informant was there, Lem Harris gave the informant a loan of \$1,500.00 for the trip. This was on the instructions of Eugene Dennis, who did not advise Harris as to the purpose of the loan. This \$1,500.00 will be placed in the informant's account at the bank and will be drawn on for purposes of meeting expenses of the trip. Our Chicago office will take appropriate steps to have New York check on the serial numbers as to the source of the funds.

Auerbach said it will be necessary for 694-S* to come to Chicago later this month and then go to see Tim Buck in Canada to furnish him with the passport numbers in order to arrange for visas at London or Paris. I authorized expenses for 694-S* up to \$300.00 for this trip.

Auerbach will keep us advised of developments.

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NOTE: Administration Division, attention Mr. J. S. Johnson, was informed of above authorization for expenses for 694-S* by routing slip on 4/8/58. AHB)

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TO : MR. SIZOO

DATE: 4/8/58

FROM : MR. BELMONT

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I called SAC Auerbach at Chicago today relative to his advice yesterday that 5824-S and his wife had submitted their application for passports. I told Auerbach that unless the applicant reflects that he has a trip scheduled in the near future, the application will probably receive routine handling and it may be more than a month before the passports are received. For this reason, Chicago should be sure that informants have indicated an early date of departure. Auerbach said he would see this was done.

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TO : MR. L. V. BOARDMAN *4/8/58*

DATE: April 7, 1958

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In connection with the trip of CG 5824-S to Russia as a representative from the Communist Party (CP), USA, SAC, Chicago, has made certain recommendations regarding financial arrangements with the informant and his wife, [redacted] who will accompany him as a cover for the trip. These informants have certain fixed financial obligations which will have to be met during their absence from this country. Chicago requests that authority be granted to advance CG 5824-S prior to the date of his departure his regularly authorized payment through May, 1958. It is noted that this informant is currently authorized to receive up to \$900 per month which authorization extends through May, 1958.

Chicago also advised that [redacted] has made arrangements to take a leave of absence of approximately two months duration which will probably start sometime during the period between April 15 and 30, 1958. Inasmuch as [redacted] will be serving as a cover for the trip of CG 5824-S, SAC, Chicago, believes it highly desirable that she accompany him and recommends that authority be granted to pay her salary during the time she is on a leave of absence and that this be considered a part of the total cost of the Solo operation. The weekly salary of [redacted] is \$102.50. She receives no regular payment from the Bureau.

OBSERVATIONS:

In view of the extreme importance of this operation, it is believed that the recommendations of the SAC, Chicago, should be approved.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the attached letter be sent to Chicago authorizing payment of the recommended sums.

Enclosure *sent*

- 100-428091 *4-8-58*
- 1 - Mr. Boardman
- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. J. S. Johnson, 331, OPO
- 1 - Mr. Donohue
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-428091)

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NY 694-S advised on 3/18/58 that he returned from Toronto on evening of 3/17/58 with following message from Tim Buck to CG 5824-S*:

Buck was most happy to receive the Cuban CP documents sent to him from CG 5824-S* through NY 694-S*.

After receiving CG 5824-s*'s report concerning the feasibility of going abroad via Mexico or Brazil, Buck stated there was no way whereby he could make arrangements in Canada for the immediate departure of CG 5824-S*. When NY 694-S* told him that efforts are being made in USA to make such arrangements, Buck said it would be best for the Chicago informant to obtain an American passport. Buck said he recently discussed subject of departure points from Latin American countries with a Russian in Canada, and the latter had informed him that the Soviets currently are conducting an investigation of this matter in various Latin American countries. Despite what the Soviet investigation may reflect, Buck felt the best departure point is New York, and that CG 5824-S* should travel on an American passport.

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- 1 - NY 65-16441 (SASH) (6)
- 1 - NY 134-91 (INVES) (6)
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Buck estimated that CG 5824-S* and his wife would need approximately \$1,300 for the trip to Moscow. In connection therewith, NY 694-S* told Buck that CG 5824-S* would negotiate a ninety-day loan to finance the trip, and inquired whether the Soviets would reimburse the informant for the money spent. Buck replied that the Soviets definitely would reimburse CG 5824-S*, and stated he was so certain of this that he was willing to give his personal guaranty to that effect.

In discussing possible points of departure, Buck said Montreal at this time of year is too "barren" (devoid of traffic), and that departure from there would require that CG 5824-S*'s passport be stamped, reflecting Montreal as the point of departure.

Buck stated it would be best that, in his passport application, CG 5824-S* list the following as countries he desires to visit: England, Spain, France, The Netherlands, and Italy. He said it would be wise to avoid the Scandinavian countries at this time of year since there would be comparatively little traffic in those countries.

Buck said "floating visas" and the name and description of the contact who would meet CG 5824-S* and his wife in Moscow could be obtained in England or in France. Buck, however, strongly suggested that the visas be obtained in London for two reasons: (1) CG 5824-S* would avoid language difficulties in London; and (2) there is a direct flight from London to Moscow.

Buck advised against obtaining visas in France because (1) the French CP is difficult to deal with since it is too bureaucratic, and (2) because there is no direct flight from France to Moscow. From Paris CG 5824-S* would have to fly to Prague, where he would encounter the difficulty of making additional arrangements concerning entry and departure at Prague.

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Buck mentioned that to avoid personal appearances at the Soviet consulates in England or France, CG 5824-S* could enlist the assistance of John Williamson in London and Duclos in Paris. When NY 694-S* reminded Buck of the secrecy of CG 5824-s*' mission, Buck agreed that CG 5824-S* would have to apply for the visas in person.

Buck said he would notify the Soviets immediately of the status of the situation, and indicate the possibility that CG 5824-S might leave for Moscow soon. In that connection, Buck requested two weeks notice of CG 5824-s*' departure date so that a courier might convey this info to Moscow. The Soviets, he said, would require sufficient notice to allow them "to clear the way for visas in other countries." The courier could be a "regular courier" (diplomatic courier), or "someone" whom the Canadian CP will send to Moscow to attend the 13th Kommsomol Congress on April 21, 1958. This individual from the Canadian CP will leave Canada on April 10 and will arrive in MOSCOW on April 12.

Buck said he desired CG 5824-S* to be informed that the Soviets request that a "youth delegate" from the CPUSA - or "someone like him" - attend the aforementioned 13th Kommsomol Congress in Moscow on April 21, 1958. If it is agreeable to the CPUSA, this "youth delegate" could leave from Canada for London on April 10 with the Canadian delegate to the Congress. The two of them could join the British delegate to the said Congress, and travel with him to Moscow. (NY 694-S* suggests that CG 5824-S*'s departure be timed to avoid meeting these individuals en route to Moscow.)

Buck said that CG 5824-S* should furnish him as soon as possible the names and numbers that will appear on the passports of CG 5824-S* and the latter's wife. Buck said he strongly advises that CG 5824-S* go to Peking for ten days. In reply to a question from NY 694-S* whether the Soviets would approve of CG 5824-s*' going to Peking,

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Buck said, "No question! They (the Soviets) would have no objection."

Buck said CG 5824-S* should be told that in Moscow he would have a most comfortable apartment - with personal servants - in the neighborhood of the "Dynamo" (ph) Stadium. When he is busy with "the brass," his wife would have excellent attention.

NY 694-S* advises that as soon as is convenient he will furnish info from Tim Buck not related to instant matter. The Bureau and Chicago will be advised re these matters by separate communication.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. J. A. Sizoo

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FROM : Mr. A. H. Belmont

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SAC Auerbach called on the afternoon of March 13 to advise that he had met with CG 5824-S and NY 694-S to further discuss the obtaining of a passport, etc., in connection with this project. He said they have arrived at the decision that the best way to proceed is to build up a background based on a completely fictitious person. They have selected three names, together with a name for the wife, and Auerbach would like to have us check these names to make sure that they are clean. They are as follows: Martin A. Carson, Martin A. Caine, and Martin A. Camp. The name for the wife would be Sylvia Soney Schlosser (together with the last name selected for the informant per above). These names should be checked through our files and it is suggested that they also be checked through State Department files to insure that there is no derogatory information concerning them. This should be handled at once.

Auerbach said it would be necessary to rent a small place with a mail box for about two months at a cost of about \$30 per month in order to have a legitimate place to which the passport can be mailed. I told him this was satisfactory.

Auerbach said that NY 694-S will go to Canada tonight or tomorrow night for the purpose of advising Tim Buck that CG 5824-S is going to make the trip; also to stop any attempt the Canadian Party is making to get a passport in Mexico; to ascertain what countries the courier will pass through and how visas will be obtained and to take up the question of reimbursement of funds on the premise that the information will be getting funds for the trip on a loan basis.

ACTION:

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These names should be checked at once and the results furnished to me so that Auerbach may be advised accordingly.

cc - Mr. Belmont

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont

DATE: March 14, 1958

FROM : Mr. F. J. Baumgardner

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In connection with obtaining a passport by CG 5824-6*, your memorandum to Mr. Sizoo 3-13-58 reflected that Chigago has selected three names, along with a name for his wife, which informant may possibly utilize. These names are Martin A. Carson, Martin A. Caine and Martin A. Camp. The wife's name was indicated to be Sylvia Soney Schösser. Set forth hereinafter are results of review of Bureau files regarding these names:

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MARTIN A. CAINE:

Bureau indices are negative under the name Martin A. Caine. Under the name Martin Caine, however, Bureau files reflect that this name was utilized as an alias of one Morton Harry Blumenthal who was the subject of a Security Matter - G investigation in 1942 and 1943 based upon an allegation of subversive activities. Blumenthal resided in Virginia Beach, Virginia. Investigation failed to substantiate this allegation and the case was closed. No dissemination was made to State Department (100-94653).

Under the name Martin Caine, Bureau files further reflect that an individual by this name was the subject of a Fraud Against the Government, Surplus Property Act investigation in 1949. In connection with this matter, Caine, who resided in Long Island, New York, had requested various taxicab drivers, all veterans, to purchase surplus war equipment in a War Assets Administration sale in Atlanta, Georgia. The Department decided against any civil or criminal action in this matter and our case was closed. No dissemination was made to State Department (46-15983).

Bureau indices were completely negative regarding the name Sylvia Soney Schlosser Caine as well as any buildup or breakdown of this name.

MARTIN A. CARSON:

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Bureau files contain no pertinent information under the name Martin A. Carson or any buildup or breakdown of this name.

Bureau indices were likewise negative regarding Sylvia Soney Schlosser Carson. In breaking this name down, however, it is noted that our files contain two references to a Sylvia Carson. In one instance, her name appeared on a list of members of the Greenwich Village Club of

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Re: SOLO

the Communist Political Association in a New York report dated in 1945. According to this report, the date of the list was unknown (100-3-4-4436, page 47).

The second reference to Sylvia Carson reflected an individual by this name to be the wife of one Robert Carson, president of Carson Company, Incorporated of Mason City, Iowa. Carson Company, Incorporated, was involved in a Fraud Against the Government; Conflict of Interest investigation in 1955 due to actions of one of its employees. No derogatory information was developed during the course of this investigation regarding Robert Carson or Sylvia Carson. No dissemination was made to State Department (46-23548-3).

MARTIN A. CAMP:

Bureau indices were negative regarding the name ^{MYS} Martin A. Camp or any buildup or breakdown thereof.

Regarding Sylvia Soney Schlosser ~~Camp~~, Bureau indices were likewise negative. In checking breakdowns of this name, however, it is noted that our files contained one reference of a pertinent nature regarding one Sylvia Camp. This reference reflected that she was the subject of a Fraud Against the Government; Dependents Assistance Act of 1950 investigation in 1954, inasmuch as she had received military subsistence from her soldier husband without having the benefit of a divorce from a prior husband. Files reflect that Sylvia Camp was born 10-15-28 at Holland, Belgium. Prosecution in this matter was declined. No dissemination was made to State Department (46-22306).

CHECK WITH STATE DEPARTMENT:

On 3-14-58, our Liaison representative checked with Mr. W. E. Jessop, State Department, on a confidential basis. Jessop advised that a review of State Department files contained no record of any of the above-mentioned names. He did advise, however, that State Department file contained a reference to one Sylvia Schlosser indicating that she was born in 1933 at Rochester, New York, and as late as 1956 worked for Pan American Airlines.

OBSERVATION:

From a review of the above data regarding the possible names which our informant could use, it is felt that although any of the names could be safely utilized, the name Martin A. Camp would be the most appropriate since we have no information under that name and only one reference on Sylvia Camp which could not possibly be linked up with our informant's wife.

Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
Re: SOLO

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that SAC, Auerbach, Chicago Office, be telephonically advised of the results of the review of our files and the check with State Department as well as our recommendation that the name Martin A. Camp be utilized.

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Honorable Gordon Gray
Special Assistant to the President
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July 25, 1958

BY COURIER SERVICE

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The Honorable
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My dear Mr. Secretary:

With regard to my letter of July 24, 1958, relative to recent discussions between leaders of the Soviet Union and Red China and an official representative of the Communist Party, USA, I thought you would be interested in the following additional information which was obtained from sources who have furnished reliable data in the past.

The Soviet leaders stated that they have no doubt that communism will be ultimately victorious but that United States imperialism is standing in the way. They further stated they do not want to overestimate United States imperialism since they felt it is not as strong as it appears and they have no doubt that Russia will surpass the United States industrially and agriculturally. They continued that they feel the United States is decaying economically but they wish they had the answer as to whether the United States will pursue a peaceful or an aggressive solution to its economic problems since armaments are a part of American economy.

These officials continued that the Soviets are trying to reach the American people with the idea that they want peace and that Americans can get jobs through increased trade. They continued, however, that if there are any illusions that Russia wants peaceful coexistence

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The Honorable
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because it is weak, these should be forgotten and that the launching of Sputnik III was to remind the United States that Russia has missiles and armaments.

The Soviet leaders feel that Tito has to be isolated and destroyed to prevent him from opening up a gate through which imperialism might break into the socialist camp. They stated that Tito has sold out to American imperialism, thus opening up the "under belly" of the socialist states and they believe that he has reached some agreement with the United States.

These officials stated that Russia wants to unite all of the socialist countries into one camp and to mesh their economies, so that no socialist countries will be wasting energy and will be less dependent on the western world. Thus, while Czechoslovakia might place emphasis on the production of machinery, other socialist countries will provide Czechoslovakia with the necessary food.

One of the Soviet officials stated that Mikhail Suslov was "very sick" and that his role in the Communist Party of the Soviet Union is now being played by Peter Pospelov, a member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union. It may be significant to note that Suslov who was formerly regarded as a likely successor to Khrushchev has been the subject of recent news reports containing speculation that he has fallen from favor.

Concerning the Communist Party, USA, the Soviet officials stated that they approve the current line of the Communist Party, USA, and feel that the American Party is now a functioning one. The Soviets stated that upon the completion of the draft program of the Communist Party, USA, which is presently being prepared, they want to obtain a copy since they may be able to give some help to the Communist Party, USA, with regard to this program.

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With regard to "The Worker," east coast weekly communist newspaper, the Soviet officials stated that in August, 1958, the Communist Party of the Soviet Union will start getting 4,000 copies. They continued that "The Worker" is doing the best and most militant job of presenting the activities in the western world from the communist viewpoint in the English language. They also stated that copies of "The Worker" will be used in Russia to assist in the teaching of the reading and understanding of the English language.

In connection with American imperialism, Mao Tse-tung, leader of Red China, stated that it should not be overestimated but that it is necessary to pay attention to it. He continued that while it looks tough on the surface, it is not that powerful. He also stated that there "may be many Koreas" and that China intends to fight if the United States starts something. According to Mao, China has achieved a steel production which surpasses that of England but will not announce this for three years. Mao also stated that if American imperialists think that the son of Chiang Kai-shek can be trusted, they are wrong.

In discussing the Korean conflict, Mao stated that if General MacArthur had gone another mile, one-half of the Soviet Air Force and several Soviet divisions would have gone into action. He also stated that right now he thinks that American imperialism has been stymied.

In view of the extremely sensitive nature of the sources of our information, it is requested that the contents of this communication be afforded the most careful security and its use restricted to a need-to-know basis.

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The foregoing is also being furnished to the
Honorable Richard M. Nixon, The Vice President; the
Honorable Gordon Gray, Special Assistant to the President;
and the Attorney General.

Sincerely yours,

NOTE ON YELLOW:

This memorandum classified "~~Top Secret~~" since it contains information from a most valuable informant, unauthorized disclosure of this information could easily jeopardize our informant, thereby considerably weakening our coverage of the Communist Party, USA, which could possibly result in grave damage to the national defense.

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TO DIRECTOR AND SAC, CHICAGO

FROM SAC, NEW YORK

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SOLO. IS - C. CG 5824-S* IN BRIEF, GUARDED CONVERSATION ON EVENING OF JULY 23 INSTANT ADVISED THAT HE AND NY 694-S* HAD SPENT ENTIRE DAY AND EARLY EVENING WITH EUGENE DENNIS AND DROVE ABOUT 170 MILES IN A RENTED AUTOMOBILE SO THE CHICAGO INFORMANT COULD REPORT TO DENNIS ON THE SOLO OPERATION. DENNIS WAS MOST PLEASED TO RECEIVE THE REPORT AND TOLD INFORMANT THAT HE, DENNIS, WILL GIVE A BRIEF REPORT OF THIS TO WILLIAM Z. FOSTER BUT DID NOT STATE THAT HE WOULD TELL FOSTER THE SOURCE OF HIS INFORMATION. DENNIS SAID FOSTER SUFFERED ANOTHER SLIGHT HEART ATTACK AND IS NOT SEEING ANYBODY IN ACCORDANCE WITH DOCTOR'S ORDERS, HOWEVER, DENNIS WILL SEE HIM. DENNIS SAID FOSTER'S SON-IN-LAW PLANNED TO LEAVE FOR RUSSIA TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR FOSTER TO GO TO RUSSIA BUT HE HAS NOT LEFT AS YET. DENNIS IS CERTAIN THAT FOSTER WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO LEAVE THE UNITED STATES FOR LEGAL REASONS. DENNIS TOLD INFORMANT THAT HE WILL GIVE A REPORT ON INFORMANT'S TRIP TO ROBERT THOMPSON AND CARL WINTER AND WILL TRY AND GET A REPORT TO GUS HALL. DENNIS SAID THERE WILL BE A FULL MEETING OF THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE IN SEPTEMBER AND THAT HE WOULD LIKE INFORMANT TO GIVE A REPORT ON HIS TRIP TO A FEW SELECTED PERSONS AT THAT TIME. DENNIS PLANS TO LEAVE FOR MAINE ON VACATION THE WEEKEND OF JULY 26 - 27 AND ASKED THE CHICAGO INFORMANT TO JOIN HIM THERE FOR FURTHER

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DISCUSSIONS. DENNIS STATED THAT A FEW PERSONS, INCLUDING ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN AND ARNOLD JOHNSON HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTED TO OBTAIN PASSPORTS SO THEY WILL BE IN A POSITION TO GO TO RUSSIA PERHAPS IN 6 MONTHS OR 1 YEAR. DENNIS STATED THAT ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG KNEW THAT THE CHICAGO INFORMANT WAS IN RUSSIA BUT DID NOT TELL DENNIS HOW HE OBTAINED THIS INFORMATION. DENNIS SAID THAT HE DID NOT CONFIRM OR DENY THIS. DENNIS TOLD THE CG INFORMANT HE WANTS THE LATTER TO TAKE CHARGE OF ALL FUNDS RECEIVED FROM THE CPSU FOR THE CPUSA INCLUDING THOSE TRANSMITTED THROUGH TRACHTENBERG. THE CHICAGO INFORMANT HAS AN APPOINTMENT WITH DENNIS IN THE PARTY HEADQUARTERS ON JULY 24 NEXT. CG 5824-S* AND [REDACTED] PLAN TO RETURN TO CG ON FRIDAY, JULY 25 NEXT.

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TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT *APB*

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At 2:45 P.M. today (July 21, 1958), ASAC Norman McCabe, New York Office, telephonically advised that CG 5824-S had arrived in New York City shortly after 9:00 A.M. today. It is noted that this informant left the United States on April 24, 1958, to proceed to Moscow and Red China as a representative of the Communist Party (CP)-USA. *BAUMGARDNER*

According to McCabe, SA John A. Keating, Chicago contact agent of 5824 who is now in New York, has arranged to confer with 5824 tomorrow morning at 10:00 A.M. However, Keating has talked to 5824 today by phone and has learned that 5824 had a two-hour discussion in Peking with MAO Tse-tung, head of the CP of China. In addition, our informant met with the Secretariat of the CP, Soviet Union, but did not confer with Nikita Khrushchev, Premier of the Soviet Union. He had an appointment with Khrushchev but was delayed for two days in China because of weather, which resulted in his missing the appointment. Our informant also met with the head of the International Department, CP, Soviet Union, as well as the individual in charge of activities in both North and South America.

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While as yet we have no details concerning the information obtained by our informant, he will, of course, be interviewed exhaustively regarding this trip. Careful consideration will be given to the information received and, if at all possible, it will be disseminated to appropriate Government officials and agencies, bearing in mind, of course, that the security of our informant is a paramount issue. This matter will continue to be most closely followed. *J*

- cc - Mr. Belmont
- cc - Mr. Baumgardner
- cc - Mr. W.C. Thornton

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On 7/16/58, NY 694-S furnished to SA [redacted] the following report of his trip to Canada between 7/2 and 7/12/58, and of other matters relevant thereto: (S) (u)

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NY 694-S arrived in Toronto on the evening of 7/2/58 and immediately contacted TIM BUCK at the latter's home. ELIZABETH MASCOLO was in the house at the time, but was not present while the informant conferred with BUCK. The informant asked BUCK whether the latter had received any communication from the individuals identified with the case entitled "SOLO; IS-C," and BUCK stated that he had not. BUCK mentioned that he had not been in contact with the Soviet Embassy in Ottawa for the past two months, that he had been in Mexico for part of that period, and that if the Soviet Embassy was in receipt of any information regarding the individuals concerning whom NY 694-S inquired, BUCK had not been advised to that effect. (S)(U)

BUCK said there was no reason to worry about these individuals since it was premature to expect them to have completed their assignment at this time. He said, "They may be in China, and these things take a long time. Don't worry when you don't hear anything - worry when you hear too soon." According to NY 694-S, BUCK, by this remark, meant that to have heard "too soon" from the said individuals, would indicate that they had not been successful in making contact with persons they had hoped to meet. (S)(U)

BUCK stated that about a month ago, Canadian CP functionaries LESLIE MORRIS and BILL KASHTON, had gone to Moscow, whence they were to go to Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, and East Germany respectively, to attend the CP congresses in those countries. Thereafter, they were to attend the Stockholm Peace Conference. BUCK made a point of remarking that their going was not pursuant to an invitation to go, but rather pursuant to definite instructions from the Soviets to attend these functions. BUCK said that before leaving Canada, MORRIS and KASHTON had been instructed by him to try to make contact abroad with the individuals identified with the "SOLO; IS-C" case, and, if successful, to advise BUCK of such contact immediately. As yet, BUCK had heard nothing from MORRIS and KASHTON. He noted that they are scheduled to return to Canada on the 24th or 26th of July. (S)(U)

NY 694-S had a second meeting with BUCK on 7/3, when he briefed BUCK regarding the recent CPUSA Plenum in New York. BUCK (S)(U)

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considered the information most important and took copious notes thereon. He said he was in complete agreement with the actions taken by the CPUSA leaders at the Plenum. He stated that the Canadian CP does not have the problem of a strong right wing and an ultra-left faction within the Party. The most pressing problem at the moment in the Canadian CP is the Jewish question. The Jews in the Party are still pressing for an explanation of Russia's mistreatment of Jews, and receiving none, they are continuing to defect from the Party. (S)(U)

BUCK and NY 694-S then discussed the IRVING POTASH case. The informant told BUCK that he had ROBERT "BOB" THOMPSON's permission to advise BUCK that, according to information given by POTASH to his attorney for transmittal to the CPUSA, POTASH either had left in Canada a sum of money intended for the CPUSA, or had arranged that a sum of money be sent to Canada for transfer to the CPUSA. (S)(U)

BUCK denied any knowledge of this money, but furnished the following information which he thought might have some bearing on the situation: (S)(U)

The "Polish apparatus" had handled POTASH's "itinerary," and had furnished him with all necessary "travel documents." Contemporaneously with POTASH's arrival in Canada, the Canadian CP lost contact with the Polish legation in Canada owing to the resignation from the Party of SAM LIPSHITZ, who was the Party's liaison with the Polish legation. LIPSHITZ had joined J. B. SALZBERG in the latter's attack on the Party regarding the Jewish Question. BUCK believed it possible that the Polish legation had the money in question, and said he would consider ways and means to ascertain the facts of the matter. (S)(U)

BUCK and the informant met again on 7/4/58, at which time BUCK said he intended to make a contact through whom he might obtain some information regarding the individuals identified with the "SOLO;IS-C" case, and regarding the POTASH money. He said that he expected, however, to be particularly busy for the next few days with Party business, handled ordinarily by LESLIE MORRIS and BILL KASHTON, and inquired whether NY 694-S would still be in Canada on 7/12/59, at which time he hoped to have some information for NY 694-S. (S)(U)

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The informant told BUCK that he had come to Canada also on personal business, which would require his making some contacts in the Toronto area, and that since his arrival in Toronto, he had learned that JACK COWAN, [redacted] of Chicago, [redacted] of Buffalo, and "HY" LEWIS of Toronto were about to go on a fishing trip. NY 694-S told BUCK he would handle his personal business in Toronto, join the COWAN group on the fishing trip, and return to Toronto for a conference with BUCK on 7/12/58. BUCK was pleased with this arrangement, and said he felt certain he would have some information for NY 694-S on 7/12. (S) (U)

BUCK and the informant then discussed the China Trade Operation and the absence of activity so far in the said operation. BUCK remarked that NORMAN FREED and his partner, [redacted] who operate the Canadian part of the China Trade Operation, are "sitting on their hands, still waiting for their first order from China." (S) (U)

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BUCK then stated that several months ago, he learned of the presence in Canada of a Chinese trade delegation, headed by CHAO TING CHI, at whose suggestion the China Trade Operation came into being. BUCK said he had conferred with CHAO TING CHI in China. On learning of CHI's being in Canada, BUCK wrote a carefully worded note to him, advising CHI of the China Trade Operation organization in Canada and of its ability to furnish him with fertilizer which CHI had indicated he needed. BUCK also requested an opportunity to confer with CHI. (S) (U)

BUCK gave the note to [redacted] (not otherwise identified) for delivery to CHI or to some member of the Chinese delegation, which, at that time, was in the Winnipeg area. [redacted] found it impossible to contact anyone in the Chinese delegation, so the note was not delivered. (S) (U)

A few weeks later, when the Chinese delegation was in the Montreal area, BUCK sent another note to CHI. This note was delivered to CHI, or to someone in the delegation. The messenger (not identified) received a two-word response to the note from someone - not CHI - in the delegation. The words were these: "Lay off!" (S) (U)

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BUCK attributed this response to one of two possibilities: Either the Chinese delegation had reason to believe that it was under close surveillance by the RCMP, or it was acting under instructions from the Chinese government to have no contact in Canada with the Canadian Party. (S)(U)

NY 694-S left Toronto on 7/5/58 and went with the fishing party to North Bay, Ontario, where the group fished in the French river. The only pertinent information obtained during the fishing party was the following: (S)(U)

According to JACK COWAN, when he was in London recently, he was surprised to be visited one day by a man who introduced himself as SOLOMON ADLER, "representing your New York friends". (SOLOMON ADLER is the London contact between CHAO TING CHI and the China Trade Operation group. NY 694-S advises that he had written a note to COWAN in London, informing the latter to expect a visit from ADLER, but that COWAN had not received the note.) ADLER mentioned to COWAN that he had been instructed by FRANK COE (head of the American group in the China Trade Operation) to contact COWAN. COWAN and ADLER discussed generally the subject of trade with China, but ADLER made no mention of CHAO TING CHI. COWAN explained to ADLER the Canadian-American China Trade Operation "set-up," with which ADLER apparently was not familiar. COWAN emphasized to ADLER that since the American-Canadian China Trade Operation groups were "ready, willing and able" to do business, it was ADLER's function "to produce the customer." (S)(U)

NY 694-S returned to Toronto on 7/11 and visited SAM CARR. CARR told him that CP functionary NORMAN FREED, whom the informant desired to contact, was in Montreal, and would be away for several days. CARR then discussed the Jewish Question, stating that the Canadian CP adheres strictly to the "Moscow line" regarding the Jewish Question. He mentioned that, at a recent provincial convention, a CP member made particularly anti-Semitic remarks which obviously were approved by the local leadership inasmuch as the remarks were printed - without any deletions - in the official Party publication. (S)(U)

CARR remarked that TIM BUCK's thinking on the Jewish Question is no different than it was before the 20th Russian (S)(U)

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Congress. CARR predicted that there would be more defections among the Jewish CP members of the Canadian CP. (S) (u)

On the morning of July 12th, NY 694-S went to BUCK's home to confer with the latter, but was informed by ELIZABETH MASCOLO that BUCK had left Toronto quite unexpectedly on 7/11 and would not return until 7/14. She said BUCK suggested that it would be better that NY 694-S should not await his return. BUCK had told MASCOLO that if he should obtain the information NY 694-S desired, he would transmit the same to the informant in New York. In reply to a question from NY 694-S, MASCOLO said BUCK had gone to a meeting "somewhere in Ontario." In view of information later obtained from MASCOLO in New York (as appears hereinafter) that BUCK had gone to the Soviet Embassy in Ottawa, NY 694-S believes that MASCOLO knew where BUCK had gone, but was under instructions not to disclose his destination to the informant. (S) (u)

According to NY 694-S, BUCK, MASCOLO, and the informant previously had discussed MASCOLO's desire to obtain a U.S. passport. BUCK and MASCOLO had said that MASCOLO always had had a passport, and thought that in view of recent U.S. Supreme Court decisions, the time was opportune for her to obtain a passport now. BUCK and MASCOLO indicated generally that if she could obtain a passport, MASCOLO would travel, but no specific travel plans were mentioned. BUCK and MASCOLO requested that NY 694-S obtain the opinion of ISIDORE "GIBBY" NEEDLEMAN regarding the advisability of MASCOLO's going to New York to apply for a passport. (S) (u)

Before leaving MASCOLO, NY 694-S told her he would return immediately to New York and would confer with NEEDLEMAN on Monday, 7/14/58, regarding the passport matter. (S) (u)

On 7/14/58, the informant discussed the proposed passport application of MASCOLO with NEEDLEMAN, who suggested that NY 694-S telephonically contact MASCOLO in Toronto and tell her to come to NEEDLEMAN's office on Tuesday, 7/15/58, with the informant. NY 694-S contacted MASCOLO, who told him she already had train reservations to New York and that she would meet the informant at 10:30 a. m. on 7/15 at NEEDLEMAN's office. (S) (u)

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At NEEDLEMAN's office on 7/15/58, the passport application was discussed, NEEDLEMAN stating that by reason of the recent Supreme Court decisions, MASCOLO should have no difficulty in obtaining a passport. He advised her to fill out the passport application "legally," pointing out that it would not be necessary for her to answer questions relative to her CP status. MASCOLO and NY 694-S then left NEEDLEMAN's office (S)(u)

Outside NEEDLEMAN's office, MASCOLO told NY 694-S she had "something for him." Subsequently, on the street she handed the informant a letter from one of the individuals identified with the "SOLO;IS-C" case. (The Bureau and Chicago were advised of this matter by New York airtel dated 7/15/58, captioned "CPUSA-INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS; IS-C." (S)(u)

NY 694-C told MASCOLO that he had been in direct contact on the previous day with the author of the letter, who had indicated that he had sent the letter in question about a month ago. (This matter was reported to the Bureau and Chicago by New York teletype dated 7/14/58, and captioned "SOLO;IS-C") (S)(u)

MASCOLO told NY 694-S that TIM BUCK had been at the Soviet Embassy during the past weekend, where he had been given the letter, and a sum of money for the CPUSA. The informant and MASCOLO then went to a bank where MASCOLO gave NY 694-S two packages of money - \$4,000 in USA \$10.00 bills. From MASCOLO's remarks, the informant inferred that the author of the letter had been instrumental in obtaining this money for the CPUSA (S)(u)

MASCOLO then said, "I am going to tell you something in strict confidence. If TIM knew what I am going to tell you, he would be very angry. It looks as if I'll have to make more special trips to New York because there is more money waiting in Ottawa for the CPUSA. TIM thought it inadvisable to bring more than \$4,000 because the money is so bulky. The Russians questioned TIM at length concerning the security of the channels for transporting the money from Ottawa to the CPUSA. He assured them that he would be responsible personally - that perfectly safe channels would be used." (S)(u)

NY 694-S told MASCOLO not to be concerned about her having to make too many trips to New York with the money. The (S)(u)

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